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**COMMENT OF THE DAY**

**WHAT PRICE LEADERSHIP**

**A**MONG more pungent articles in Punch is a sardonic five page piece: Learning to be a Second Class Power. Much of it is factious... "almost everybody must use the rank of colonel or count, to make both the Army and the Aristocracy look ridiculous." But much also presents in inverted form far too much of the serious political thinking of far too many.

For instance: "Second Class Powers are not ashamed of being poor, of being too poor to shoulder the white man's burden or to compete with first-class powers in providing aid for uncommitted countries."

**Heavy Drain**

**A**T this time one need only look to Britain's own responsibilities to find the heavy drain upon her resources of places such as Cyprus, Malta and the fuming islands of the Caribbean.

What Britain's naval position may be in the Mediterranean in some years' time it is difficult to say. Part of the answer may lie in England's success in harnessing the atom and freeing itself from her dangerous and overextended umbilical cord of oil lines from the Middle East.

Oil there must be. Its industrial by-products, like those of coal, insure its future value. But Britain would certainly be more solvent and more secure if she were once again an exporter, not an importer, of power.

**Possibilities**

**P**ART of our answer in the Mediterranean must depend on our need; part on the political possibilities of the situation. Few in Britain could have felt completely happy about the invasion of infant and backward Malta as an integral part of the British Isles; and it seems now that their total independence is preferable and likely to come sooner or later.

As for Cyprus—a land from St Paul's day famous for wizards, subtlety, and guile—Britain has no choice but to soldier on with great cost and little sympathy till moderation and exasperation mature and find their own way out.

In the West Indies the problem is almost as acute. In the Paradise Islands the truly "idle rich" who have holed up with their hoards, to escape income tax present an explosive contrast with some of this world's lowest depths of poverty.

**Little Problem**

**W**HAT will the thoughts of the vigorously pro-British Dieffenbaker be — newly swept to a landslide victory by Canada's vote of confidence in the Commonwealth—when he looks about him on holiday in Bermuda?

**Africa** presents too little problem. This continent, traditional home of slavery and cradle of slaves, is a slow boiler. Any other land or people would have boiled over long ago. But boil some day she will, and Britain is likely to be closest when the lava begins to flow.

Who is to pay the price? Can England and Englishmen be expected still "to do their duty", or is Mr Punch perhaps expressing a deep down wishful thinking when he sings: "Only the impotent but gay can hope to face the world today."

## Unemployment Figures In Great Britain REACHES FIVE-YEAR HIGH

### Textile Industry Among Hardest Hit By Recession

London, Apr. 15. The Government announced today—budget morning—the highest level of unemployment for more than five years.

Figures issued by the Ministry of Labour showed there were 433,000 persons registered as unemployed in Great Britain on the latest check date—March 17.

Of these, 396,000 were wholly unemployed and the remaining 37,000 temporarily stopped from work.

**Increased By 9,000**

The total of unemployed, the Ministry said, had increased by 9,000 since February 17.

Britain had not had so many unemployed since January 1953 when the total was 452,000.

The Ministry added that the unemployed last month totalled about two per cent of the estimated number of employees.

In February it had been 1.9 per cent and in March last year 1.7 per cent.

There were 186,000 persons who had been unemployed for more than eight weeks—47 per cent of the wholly unemployed total.

**Civil Employment**

During February, said the Ministry, the numbers in civil employment fell by 36,000 to 23,057,000.

There were reductions in most sections of the economy, the largest being in engineering, distribution and textiles.

Slight increases occurred on building and contracting, professional services, the food, drink and tobacco trades and in local Government service.—Reuter.

### US Industrial Production Hits New Low

Washington, Apr. 14. Industrial production in March declined to the lowest point since the 1954 recession, the Federal Reserve reported today.

The rate of decline from February to March was slightly lower than the rate from January to February, however.

Industrial production in March, measured by the Federal Reserve seasonally adjusted index, was 128 per cent of the 1947-49 average. This was 12 per cent below level of March 1957.

The index rate in February was 130.

**Edge Downward**

The last time the industrial production index dropped to 128 was in November, 1954.

The production in March of durable as well as non-durable goods, continued to "edge downward," according to the Federal Reserve. But the decline in durable goods industries was at a slower rate than in other recent months.

This generally followed the pattern of the national economy in March.

Industrial production, employment, incomes and retail sales declined and unemployment rose again, but the changes were not as large as in February.—United Press.

### Haitian Diplomat Shoots Countryman In Washington Embassy

Washington, Apr. 14. The First Secretary of the Haitian Embassy today received orders to return home, walked into the adjoining office and shot and killed the Embassy's Minister Counsellor.

The Secretary, Andre Toussaint, was being questioned by police and reports he might be taken back to Haiti under armed guard for trial there.

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### FIVE MONTHS IN OUTER SPACE Sputnik II Makes A Fiery Return To Earth

Moscow, Apr. 14. Russia tonight officially announced the end of Sputnik II.

A statement issued by the official Tass agency said the satellite entered the atmosphere and disintegrated over the southwest Atlantic this morning.

It said the satellite, launched on November 3 with the "space dog" Laika on board, had since circled the earth 2,370 times, covering more than 62 million miles.

**Scattered**

It appeared to have scattered debris along its route over the lesser Antilles Islands, Brazil and the Atlantic as it plunged to destruction early today.

Eye-witness reports from the Caribbean Islands spoke of the falling, Sputnik as an egg-shaped comet, a quarter the size of the full moon, trailing a triangular tail of hundreds of glittering stars.

Until tonight's Tass announcement, Soviet scientists were continuing to keep a watch for the dying satellite, and Dr Bronstein, head of Moscow Planetary, said he thought it was likely to have a day or two more life yet.

**Naked Eye**

Tass noted that Sputnik's orbit was such that it had flown several times over all the earth's centres of population, and said its large size made it possible for everyone on Earth to see it with the naked eye.

Moscow Radio, broadcasting the Tass announcement later, added that it had been used to study geophysical problems and that Laika's presence on board "made it possible to investigate the behaviour of a live organism under conditions of cosmic flight."

It paid tribute to "valuable material contributed by numerous foreign observers" of the Sputnik.—Reuter.

### RAPACKI PLAN REJECTED

Paris, Apr. 14. The seven-nation Western European Union's defence and armaments committee tonight rejected as a "political trap" the Polish Rapacki plan for an atom free zone in Central Europe.

Voting in the committee was 11 to 4 in favour of a draft resolution submitted by Mr Frans Goedhart, Dutch Socialist member of Parliament.

The draft resolution expressed an opinion on the military implications for the security of the West of plans for regional or limited disarmament and of a policy of disengagement in Central Europe.

A request for such an opinion had been made by the consultative assembly of the 15-nation Council of Europe, to whom the resolution will now be submitted at its session in Strasbourg from April 28 to May 3.

The draft resolution adopted by the Rapacki plan would "while offering no compensating advantages, gravely endanger the security of the West."—Reuter.

### REBEL FRONT IN SUMATRA IN DISORDER: GOVT

Singapore, Apr. 14. All the rebel front in Sumatra was in a state of disorder, following attacks launched upon it yesterday, Medan Radio said today.



The rebel-held radio station at Manado in North Celebes after a Government bombing raid last month. —W. L. Seet.

The radio said it was expected most of Tapanuli district would be in government hands within the next few days "as the rebel troops 'have lost their morale, and are unable to meet our forces'."

Medan Radio said the attack on Tapanuli—a hitherto neutral district invaded by government troops three days ago—was being directed by the military commander of Northern Sumatra, Lieutenant-Colonel Djamin Ginting.

Government advances today met with no opposition, the radio said.

**STRONG POINTS**

It said suspected rebel strong points had been shelled. The rebels had destroyed some bridges.

The Indonesian Government has announced that it is invading Tapanuli—which adjoins rebel territory—for the "protection" of the district. The Central Sumatran rebels claim troops in Tapanuli have gone over to them.

Medan Radio said that in fighting in Tapanuli today, Government troops had captured a military truck, and a number of new Sten guns.—Reuter.

London, Apr. 14. Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, British Colonial Secretary, arrived back in London from the Bahamas today and dashed off at once to a meeting of ministers.—Reuter.

### WEST POINT GENERAL DOWN-GRADED

Washington, Apr. 14. Major-General John B. Ackerman, recently relieved of his Philippines Command for poor judgment and extravagant living at Government expense, has been given a reprimand and reduced in grade, the Air Force announced today.

The 48-year-old West Point graduate will be re-assigned to the Air Force Security Service at Kelly Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

Air Force Chief-of-Staff General Thomas D. White said at the time that Ackerman had used "poor judgment" in spending Government money "for his personal prestige and comfort."

In announcing the results of a review of the case today, General White said that Ackerman has been reduced 102 numbers to the bottom of temporary Major-General promotion list.

He said the officer has also received a "written admonition for failing to meet Air Force standards of a senior commander in the field."—United Press.

### DID BRITAIN EXPLODE AN UNDETECTED ATOM BOMB?

New York, Apr. 14. A columnist in the New York Post said today that Britain had set off an undetected nuclear explosion by dropping a small atomic bomb from a plane and exploding it at a height of more than 40,000 feet.

The columnist, Roberts Allen, said in his article: "There has been one known 'undetected' nuclear explosion. It was a deliberate test for this purpose by the British, during their series of nuclear shots at Christmas Island in the south Pacific last year.

**40,000 Feet**

"In this 'undetected' explosion a small atomic bomb with a destructive power of less than a kiloton (1,000 tons of T.N.T.) was dropped from a jet plane and detonated at a height of more than 40,000 feet.

"The explosion was not detected 500 miles beyond the point of detonation. Neither the United States, the British, nor the Japanese detection systems picked up this shot.

"That experiment was behind Prime Minister (Harold) Macmillan's recent cryptic declaration that 'undetected' nuclear explosions are possible," the columnist said.

The newspaper did not disclose the source of its information.—China Mail Special.

### Budget Visit

London, Apr. 14. Queen Elizabeth tonight received the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Derick Heathcoat-Amory, in audience at Windsor Castle.

The Chancellor was making the traditional eye-of-the-budget visit to tell her the budget proposals.—Reuter.

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### Prince Charles

Windsor, Apr. 14. Prince Charles, nine-year-old heir to the throne, remained indoors at Windsor Castle for a second day today with slight cold.

Princess Anne, his sister, went riding in Windsor Great Park without him.—Reuter.



# KING'S PRINCESS

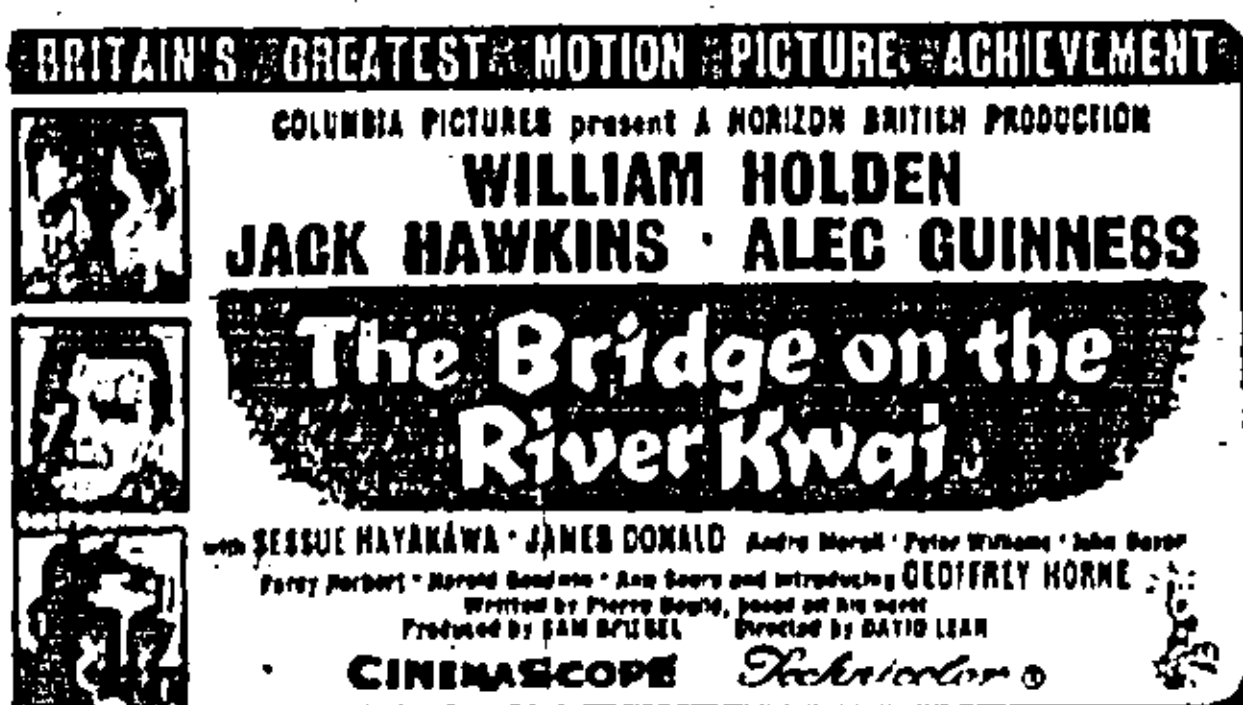
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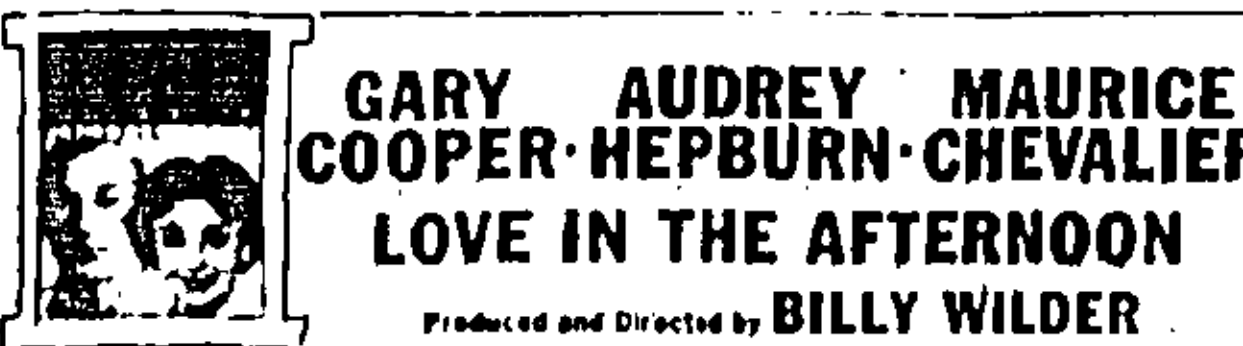
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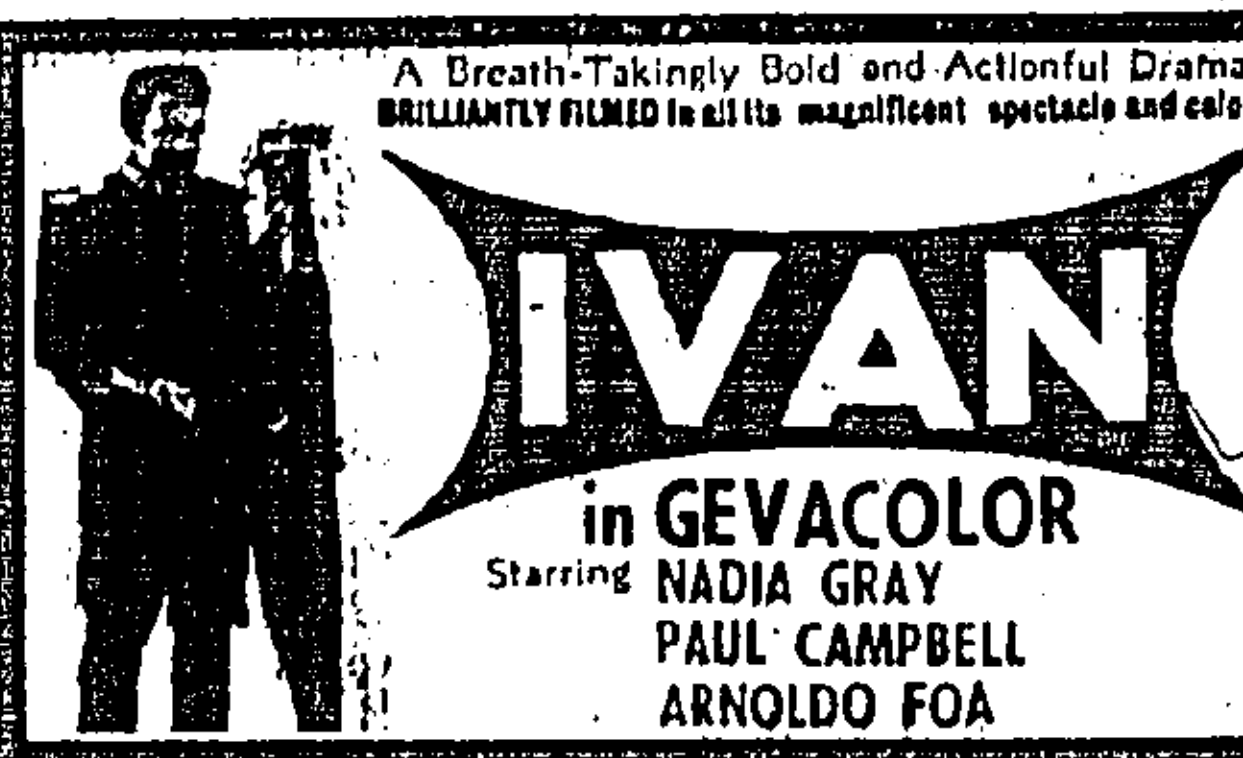
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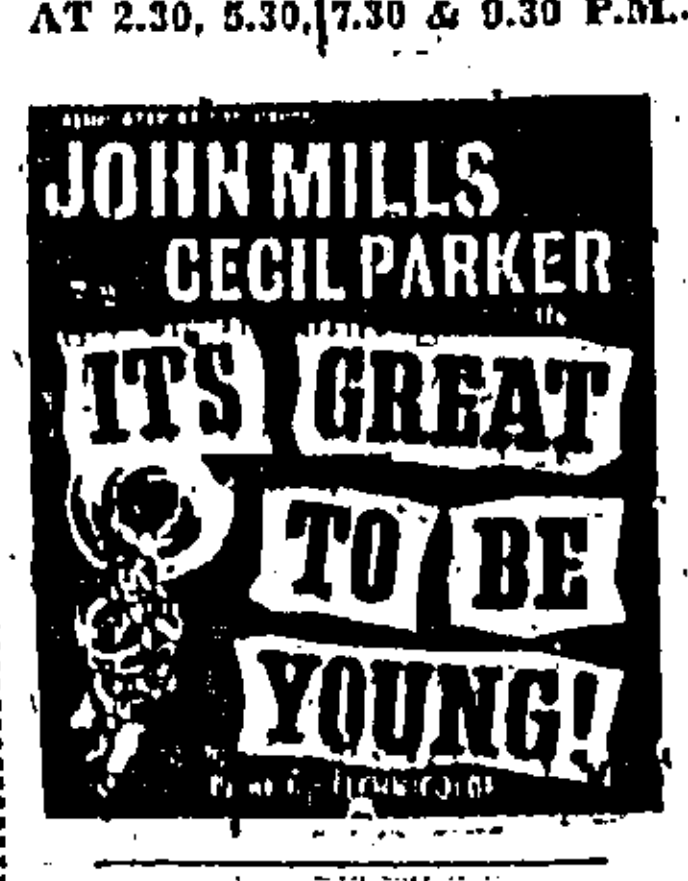
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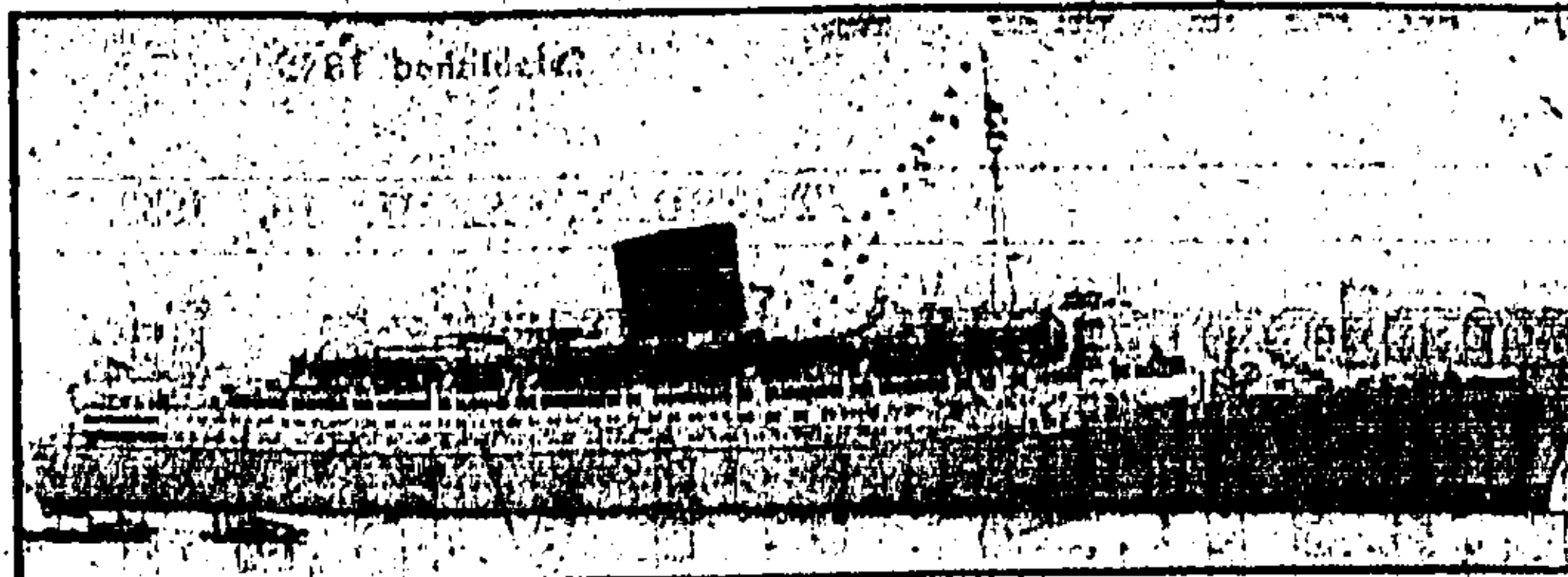


— NEXT CHANGE —  
NATALIE WOOD in  
"BOMBSER P-52"  
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# Caronia Hits Lighthouse

## Structure

## Cut In Half By Impact



The Caronia as it steamed into Hongkong recently.

Tokyo, Apr. 14.  
The British cruise liner RMS Caronia today struck and destroyed the lighthouse marking the entrance to Yokohama harbour from Tokyo Bay and was tonight at anchor

in the bay just outside the harbour with its million dollar cargo of tourists temporarily immobilised.

The Japanese Maritime Safety Board said the bow of the luxury liner hit the harbour entrance marker as it was leaving the port.

There was damage to the ship at the bow above the waterline. There were no casualties. The lighthouse was cut into half by the impact. At this stage there was no decision upon who was to blame. The cost of the damage was not yet assessed. All ships entering or leaving the Port of Yokohama are by order under the control of pilots. It was understood there would be an enquiry into the accident. The

Caronia's passengers numbering 439 are on a round-the-world luxury tour and have spent just over one week in Japan. It has been estimated their expenditure in Japan have totalled about \$US 750,000. At 2300 hours local time there was no decision about the ship's programme. Officials of the port said the Caronia would wait for an official investigation to take place tomorrow. —Reuter.

# Daring Rebel Raid On Bus Foiled By Police

By JOHN T. SKELLY

Camaguey, Cuba, Apr. 14.  
A police escort foiled a daring rebel attack on a bus last night in this provincial capital in Central Cuba.

One of the attackers was killed and two others escaped in a wild, bullet-sprinkled chase through Camaguey's narrow streets. The police, armed with pistols and Tommyguns, were following the bus in a prowl car, when it was fired upon by at least three rebels in downtown Camaguey. The gunfire broke up a traditional Sunday in this cattle-raising region. People went to Mass, the parks were crowded with children and movies showed double features.

Authorities said 90 per cent of the workers in this city of 150,000 walked off the job at 11 a.m. on Wednesday in response to the Havana broadcast strike call, but they returned to their jobs the next morning.

Col. Victor Duenna, the Army Chief here, explained why. "They felt they had been tricked," he said. "They were told that (Fidel) Castro and followers of ex-President Carlos Prío Socarras were marching on Camaguey fully armed, and that the army was going over to their side."

### FEAR

Duenna said that people went home through fear, not because of rebel sympathies. "They were afraid of being caught in a cross fire," he said. "Trains and buses are running from here on, and during the day. Trains cannot go to Manzanillo on the main southern line of the railroad because rebels burned a bridge and tore up part of the tracks."

Planes, however, come and go on schedule. Passengers on board them are searched and have their baggage inspected thoroughly. —United Press.

# NEWSMAN REPORTED MISSING

Tel Aviv, Apr. 14.  
Dr. Hans Ermani, a Viennese newspaper correspondent, and Miss Helgard R. Otto, a German student journalist, have been reported missing from the Israeli Red Sea port of Eilat. Sources in Eilat believe they may have been detained by Jordanian soldiers on the border. Dr. Ermani is thought to have attempted to get permits to cross the border. Official sources here said Jordanian authorities have not replied to questions about the two, which had been made through the Mixed Armistice Commission. Miss Otto is in Israel to write articles in connection with her studies at Göttingen University. —Reuter.

# US 'MOTHBALL' NAVY

Washington, Apr. 14.  
Forty-eight American warships including four aircraft carriers and four cruisers will be "put in mothballs" during the fiscal year beginning July 1, the United States Navy announced today. The carriers included Boxer, Philippine Sea and Princeton. —France-Press.

### Locusts

Beirut, Apr. 14.  
Lebanon's Agriculture Ministry said today it has mobilised forces to fight off swarms of locusts which have invaded the Hasbani region from Syria. —United Press.

# CULPRITS WERE SPANKED

Tel Aviv, Apr. 14.  
POLICE found trouble when they investigated sounds of commotion in the cellar of a wine merchant here today. More than 2,000 bottles of wine were smashed and the floor was awash with drink. They collected six culprits — all thoroughly drunk — one of whom was only just able to mumble their home addresses and add: "We broke in just to look round but started drinking the stuff." At home, each of the culprits was in for a sound spanking and a glass of milk. Their ages ranged from nine to 11 years. —Reuter.

# MARGE WHITING MARRIES

Beverly Hills, Apr. 14.  
Singer Margaret Whiting and manufacturer John Richard Moore were married on Sunday in a ceremony at the Bell-Air home of Dr. Martin Covel. It was the third marriage for Miss Whiting, 33, and the first for Moore, 32. Moore is Vice President of Panavision, Inc., motion picture equipment firm. —United Press.

### Cost Of Troops

Paris, Apr. 14.  
A possible basis of agreement on the costs of maintaining British troops in Germany has been found in talks within Nato. It was announced tonight. —Reuter.

# THESE "PEP PILLS" ARE DEADLY

## Nationwide Hunt In USA

Nutley, Apr. 14.  
A nationwide search to recover mislabelled bottles of "pep pills" from drug stores, wholesalers and hospitals was nearly over tonight.

The Hoffman-La Roche Co., makers of the so-called "Energising Pills," said its 250-odd field "detail men" had probably managed to track down nearly all bottles carrying too strong dosage recommendation.

The pills are sold under the trade name Mardell. Known to chemists as Iproniazid, the drug has been used for five years for tuberculosis. Of late, it has also been used for mental patients suffering from extreme depression. It is available only with a doctor's prescription.

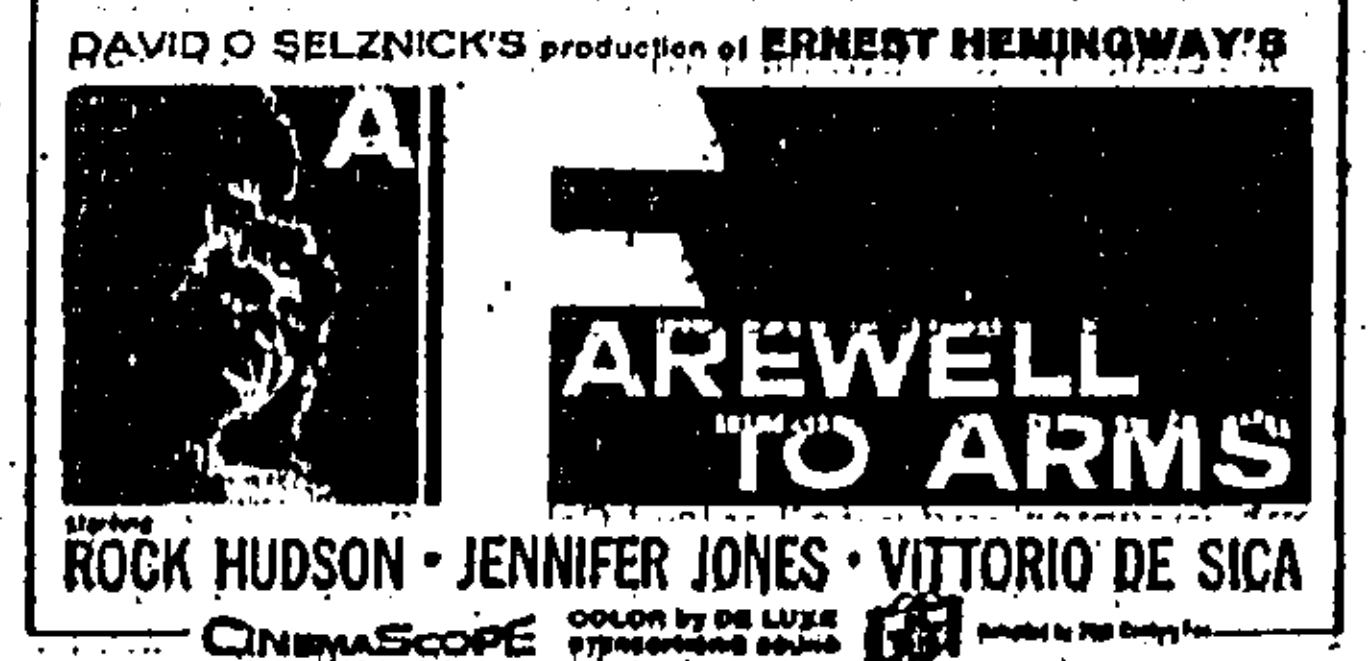
The search started when a Coroner's Jury blamed the death of a San Francisco woman on her taking 150 milligrams of Mardell per day recommended according to the label on the bottle. It should be 50 milligrams.

When another woman, Miss Irene Frank, 64, died in New York's Bellevue Hospital while under treatment with the same dosage of the drug, New York health inspectors started a city-wide search for bottles of Mardell. Twenty-five thousand mislabelled bottles were recovered from New York drug stores. —United Press.

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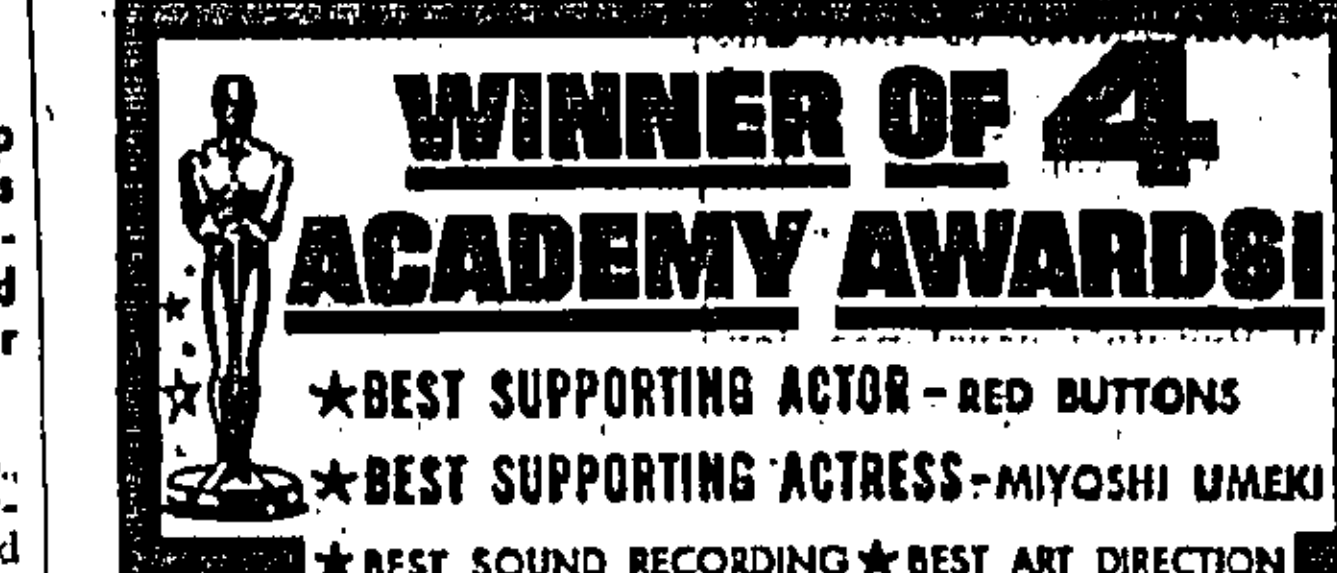
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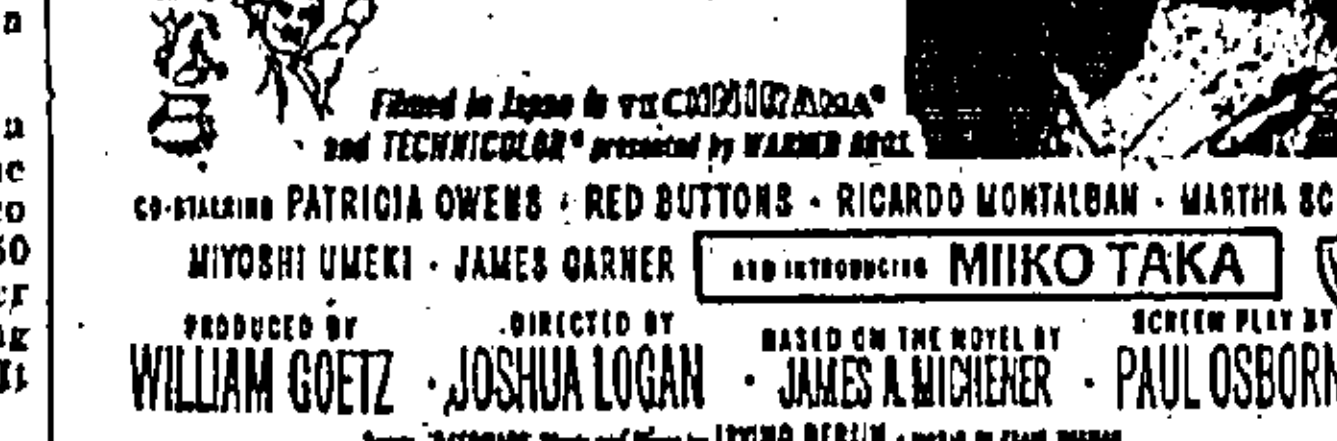


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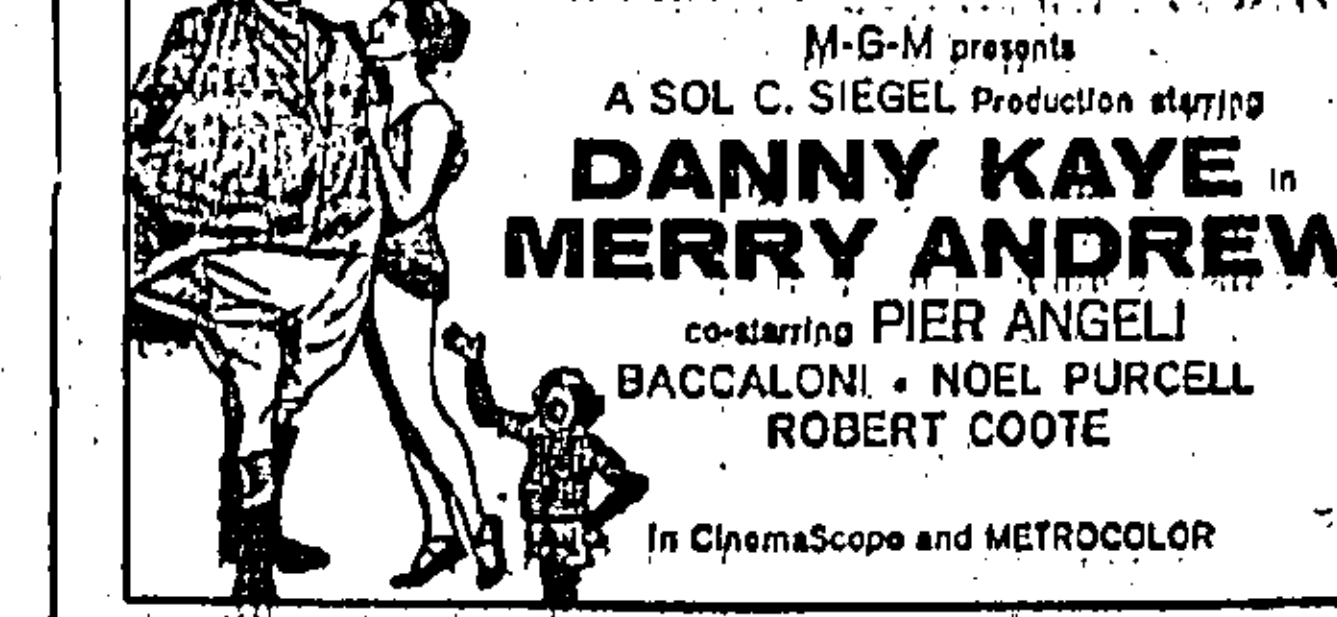
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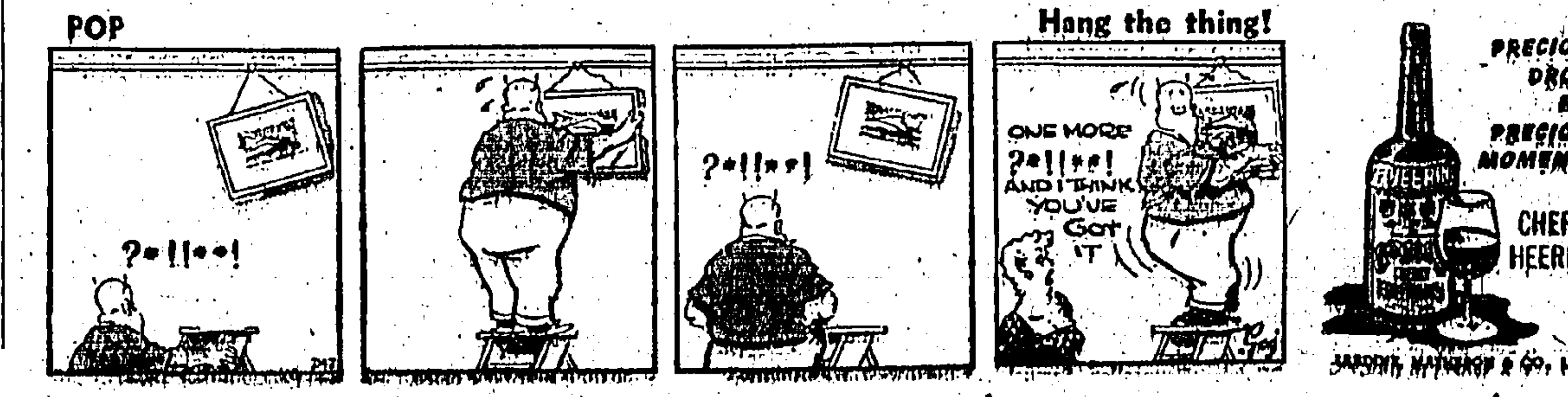
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## CABLE BRIEFS

Burntwood, Apr. 14. Village Councillor Bill Neville complained officially last Saturday that all of Burntwood's most secluded country paths are cluttered with waste paper and cans and untidy hedges that ruin ladies' nylons.

"What we want is a nice, well-conducted Lover's Lane," Neville said, "where people can be alone in comfort."—United Press.

New York, Apr. 14. Francis Cardinal Spellman confessed yesterday that he sometimes misses saying evening prayers.

"I don't get to bed very early," he told a Communion breakfast. As a result, "instead of saying evening prayers, I say morning prayers twice."—United Press.

Gallatinburg, Apr. 14. Rangers in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park said spring most certainly is late this year — their bears are hibernating overtime. — United Press.

Greenburg, Apr. 14. The town carefully excavated and removed from inside its Courthouse Tower any tree that had grown too big.

Citizens missed it so much they promptly planted another, slightly smaller. — United Press.

Genoa, Apr. 14. Italian police listed the occupation of ex-Queen Soraya on their official shipping list today as "Housewife."—United Press.

## Boycott Planned

Ipsah, Apr. 14. More than 1,000 students of 14 Chinese junior middle schools in Perak State, Central Malaya, plan to boycott the government examination for promotion to senior middle schools, it was learned here today.

Though entries for the examination close on April 19, not a single application has so far been received, official sources stated. — France-Press.

## "SCARFACE" BREAKS OUT OF LONDON GAOL

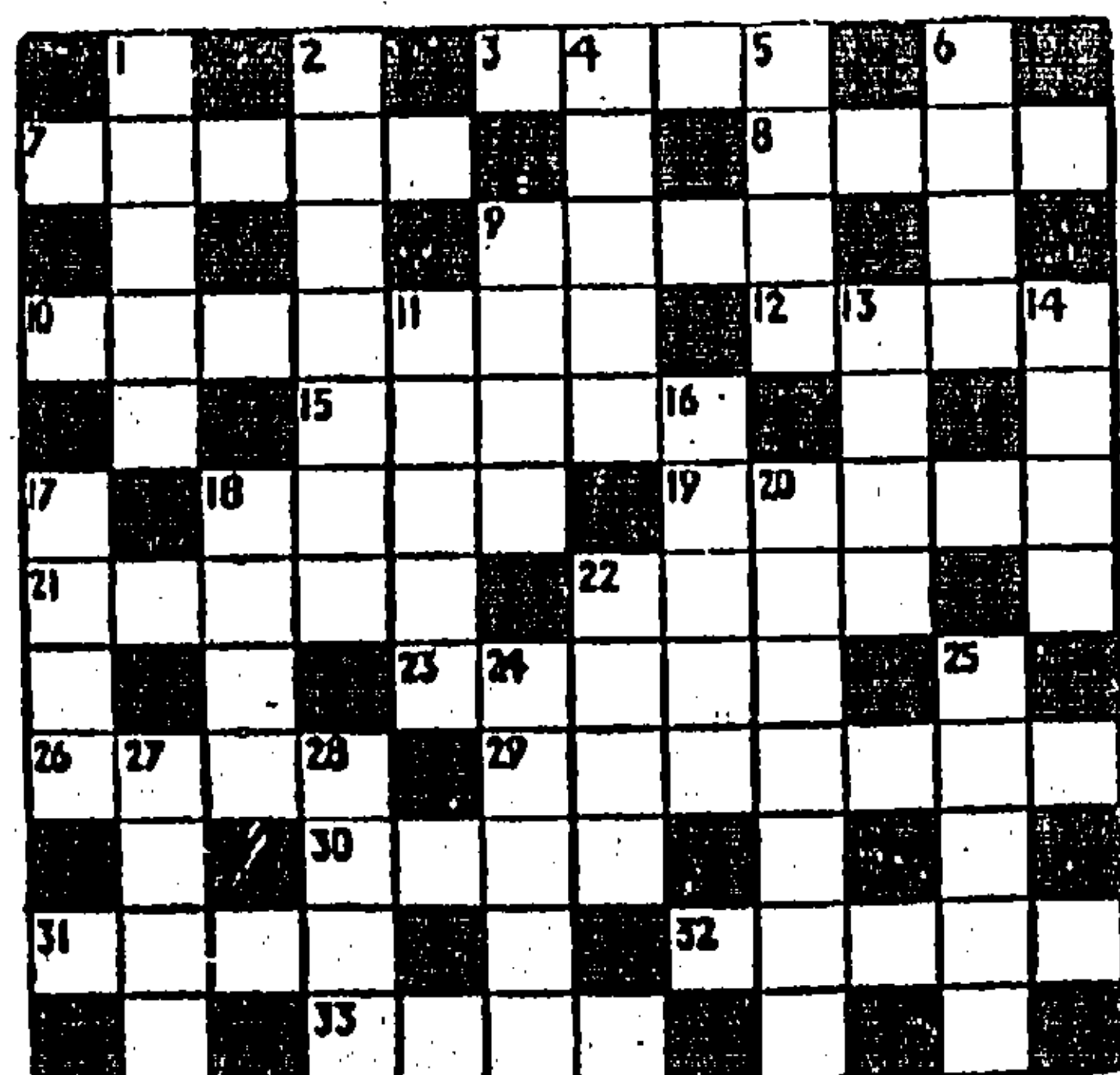
London, Apr. 14. Charles "Scarface" Parsons escape from Wormwood Scrubs Prison, London, last month has cost him 112 days of the remission he would have earned for good conduct, a Home Office spokesman said today.

Parsons, 25, had served 14 months of a seven-year sentence for robbing with violence two American Express messengers of £12,000 at Ruislip, West London.

Parsons claims he is innocent of the crime and that he made his escape to draw attention to his case.

Documents in the case given to the Home Secretary, Mr R. A. Butler, by a Labour M. P. are still under consideration. — China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Mimes animals! (4).
  - It's a chop, mutton! (5).
  - American skin? (4).
  - Dot (4).
  - Gate-crash (7).
  - Measure out (4).
  - He's on the other side (6).
  - River goddess (4).
  - Bird which has its use (5).
  - It may be both eaten and drunk (6).
  - Not at all robust (4).
  - It just happens (5).
  - Curiously enough, acid when sweet! (4).
  - Hired as a couple? (7).
  - Girl in the classics (4).
  - Capitol (4).
  - Wayside grass, maybe (5).
  - Transaction (4).
- DOWN**
- Sing in a wuy (5).
  - Command attention (7).
  - Introduction (5).
  - Talk rock grows (4).
  - It bites (4).
  - Of which Caesar was warned (4).
  - Bring together (5).
  - One takes things in re- (4).
  - Youthful (5).
  - Where horses may be put into a collar? (4).
  - Character in "Othello" (4).
  - Wild (7).
  - Writers (4).
  - Divine match (5).
  - Rattle curren! (5).
  - Flower-girl (4).
  - Walk like a weary ploughman (4).

**MONDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Bugles, 7 Nibs, 9 Outer, 10 Apples, 11 Elms, 13 Bartenders, 15 Shed, 16 Loan, 19 Fish-meat, 22 Epic, 24 A-tiso, 25 Angry, 26 Diet, 27 Lie low, Down: 1 Usher, 2 Usher, 3 Sh-and-y, 5 In person, 6 Eber, 8 Irish, 12 Ended, 13 Buigo, 14 Tenacity, 17 Afire, 18 Ordeal, 20 Irate, 21 Doge, 23 Paid.

## "CHINA'S VIOLATION OF A SOLEMN PROMISE"

## US Appeals To Peking Again

## Talks For Release Of American Citizens

Washington, Apr. 14. The State Department today again urged China to release six United States citizens imprisoned on the China mainland and to renounce the use of force in the Formosa area.

Both problems have been under negotiation in US-Chinese talks which began in Geneva almost four years ago.

In a statement on the talks, the State Department said the Chinese continued to hold the United States citizens "in violation of the solemn promise" made in September 1955.

The State Department statement was issued after the release by the Chinese of an exchange of letters between the representatives of both sides at the Geneva talks.

The State Department said that the Chinese had charged the United States with "prosecution" for having not yet appointed a new representative to succeed Mr. Alexis Johnson, who was transferred last year as Ambassador to Thailand.

The statement said that Mr. Edward Martin, first secretary at the US Embassy in London, had acted as the United States representative since Mr. Johnson's transfer, and added that Washington intended to appoint a new representative, with the rank of Ambassador, as soon as feasible.

## "IRONIC"

"It is ironic," the State Department declared, "that the Chinese should speak of prosecution when they still hold in prison six American citizens in violation of the solemn promise made on September 10, 1955, to take appropriate measures so that these persons might return home expeditiously."

The Chinese have also refused to renounce the use of force in the Taiwan (Formosa) area so that that situation might be settled by peaceful means.

"Despite the disappointing results of the Geneva talks, brought about by Chinese intransigence," the United States believes that they should continue.

The State Department added that the Chinese had bluntly refused to meet Mr. Martin, who, until the new Ambassador was appointed, stood ready to continue the talks. — Reuter.

## Strike Fails

Johannesburg, Apr. 14. The African National Congress tonight called off a three-day "stay-at-home" demonstration which began today. Reports from all parts of South Africa during the day said that the demonstration had been unsuccessful. — Reuter.

## Earthquakes

Pasadena, Apr. 14. Two earthquakes, believed centred somewhere in South America or the West Indies, were recorded at the California Institute of Technology today. — United Press.

## Almost Drowned In Bid To See Soraya

Genoa, Apr. 14. Two young Italians — a poet and a painter — nearly drowned after rowing six miles out to sea today in an attempt to intercept the 23,000-ton liner Constitution and pay homage to Princess Soraya of Persia.

The ex-Queen, divorced by the Shah when she failed to produce an heir to the throne after seven years of marriage, was sailing aboard the Constitution for the United States with her mother and brother. A big crowd saw her off from Genoa.

They have reserved return passages from New York on May 13.

Marlo Raimondo, 44, and Giorgio Carbone, 23, set out from Ventimiglia early this morning in a row-boat, carrying a portrait of ex-Queen Soraya done from photographs by Raimondo and a poem in her honour by Carbone.

"We were going to row onto the liner's course and throw ourselves into the sea as it passed so that it would have to stop and rescue us," Raimondo, shivering in his camp clothes, told reporters when he got back to Ventimiglia.

"It was very choppy, but we were nearly in position and we could see the Constitution approaching fast. In our excitement we slipped up and moved around incautiously, and suddenly a big swell caught us and we capsized."

"We were ready for a wetting," Raimondo added, "but it came sooner than we expected, and my picture went to the bottom." — China Mail Special.

## LIZ GOES BACK TO WORK

Hollywood, Apr. 14. ACTRESS Elizabeth Taylor went back to work in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film studios here today for the first time since the death of her husband, Mike Todd, in a plane crash last month.

The British-born star, eight pounds lighter than before the tragedy, reported for her role in "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof".

Her co-stars, including Paul Newman, Burt Reynolds, Jack Carson and Judith Anderson, filled her dressing room with violets, her favourite flowers.

She had announced plans to retire and take up the role of housewife and mother shortly before Todd's death. Publicity pictures and interviews were banned on the set as the young widow resumed filming for the picture. — United Press and Reuter.



Elizabeth

## Lana Turner's Fitness As A Mother Probed

## Father To Fight For Custody Of Daughter

Hollywood, Apr. 14. The County Probation Department here today began an investigation of the life and background of actress Lana Turner to determine her fitness to retain custody of her 14-year-old daughter Cheryl.

District Attorney William McKesson said today he would not prosecute Cheryl for stabbing her mother's lover, Johnny Stompanato, to death, in view of the inquest verdict of "justifiable homicide."

This would appear to leave it to the juvenile court, before which Cheryl is to appear in 10 days' time, to decide whether to hand her over to the care of the local authorities or release her and if so, to whom.

Friends of Cheryl's father, Mr. Stephen Crane, second of Miss Turner's four husbands, said today he would also fight to gain custody of the girl.

## 18 CYPRIOTS REMANDED IN CUSTODY Implicated In Disturbance

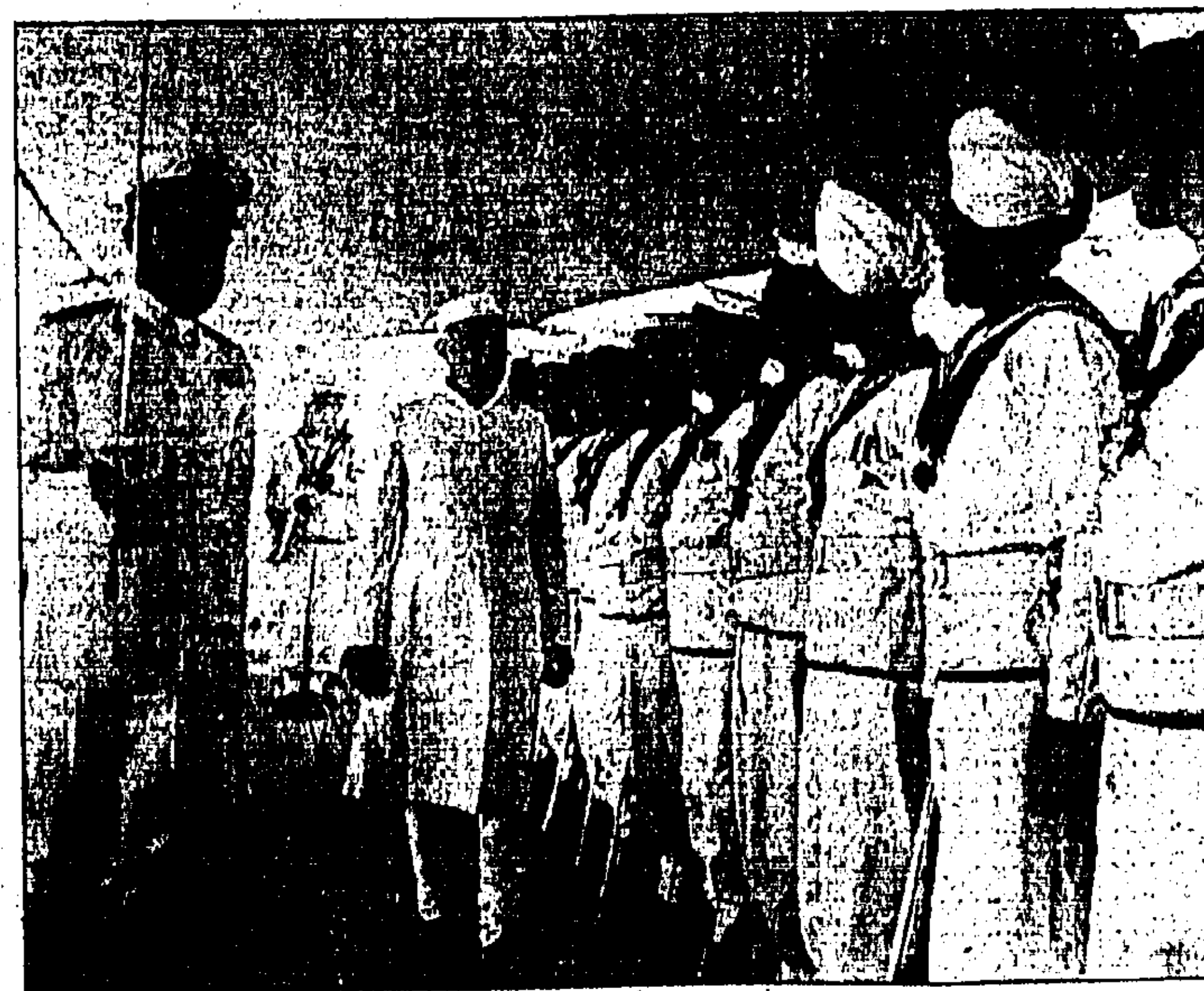
Nicosia, Apr. 14. Eighteen Cypriot-Greek detainees who are among 550 Cypriots held without trial were today remanded in custody pending criminal proceedings against them, it was officially announced.

They are alleged to have been implicated in a serious disturbance in Camp K, west of Nicosia, last Thursday, when 19 huts out of a total of 25 were set on fire by detainees.

The disturbance occurred during a 24-hour hunger strike staged by the inmates as a protest against their continued detention without trial.

The 18 remanded men were today transferred to central prisons to await trial. — France-Press.

## PREMIER'S INSPECTION



THE Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru inspects a guard of honour on board the Indian Navy flagship Mysore — formerly HMS Nigeria — during a two-day inspection of the Indian fleet at Bombay recently. — Reuter.

## 2,000 QUESTIONED, BUT—

## Police Baffled By Mystery Murder Of Pretty Teenager

Hitchin, England, Apr. 14. Police have interviewed about 2,000 people since the strangled body of pretty 17-year-old Ann Noblett was discovered in a nearby wood in January without giving a lead to the killer.

This was stated by Detective Superintendent Richard Lewis at the inquest on Ann here today. The jury returned a verdict of murder by some person or persons unknown.

Ann, the daughter of a local manufacturer, disappeared on December 30 after attending a dancing class. After an intensive police search her body was found a month later in a deserted wood about six miles from her home.

Superintendent Lewis said that the body was fully dressed and lying "in a most respectable position." Ann was still wearing her glasses. However, there had been "sexual interference," he added. "Some 2,000 people have been interviewed but up to the present time we have not obtained sufficient satisfactory evidence even to allege who had been responsible for it."

## FATHER

Ann's father, Mr. Thomas Noblett, told the coroner that as far as he knew his daughter had no men associates.

"I am sure if she had any she would have told us," he added.

Dr. F. E. Camps, a pathologist, said that from examination it appeared that Ann died within 12 hours of her disappearance.

Asked by the coroner if he could say whether death was by some persons unknown and by violence, Dr. Camps replied: "I cannot think of any accidental cause nor can I think from the way the body was found that it could have been self-inflicted."

When the inquest was first opened on February 10, Dr. Camps had said that death had been due to asphyxia from compression of the neck.

No mention was made at the inquest of the theory on which the police worked for some time that Ann's body might have been hidden in some kind of deep freeze before being placed in the wood. — China Mail Special.

## Ship Aground

London, Apr. 14. The 6,678-ton Japanese steamer Hakubassan Maru ran aground while mooring in Port Said harbour this afternoon and fouled her propeller with a buoy chain. Lloyd's Shipping Intelligence reported tonight.

Tugs and a diver are standing by. — Reuter.

## Nasser's Plan?

Jerusalem, Apr. 14. Arab experts here regard the flying of the United Arab Republic flag over the Gaza administration building this week as an indication that President Nasser plans to annex the Gaza strip. — United Press.

## Moon Useless For Military Purposes

—SCIENTIST

Los Angeles, Apr. 14. A civilian scientist told the 51st general conference of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale today that the moon has no direct value as a military base.

Dr. Dinmore Allen, Director Emeritus of Los Angeles' Griffith Observatory, said that humans eventually would reach the moon, but he added:

"Whatever possibly could be done from there during military actions could be done much better from a manned artificial satellite far closer to the Earth."

"And before we actually travel to the moon in sufficient numbers and with sufficient equipment to do real work there, such a station must have been created."

Dr. Allen said also: "It man inhabits the moon he must use it exclusively as a laboratory for basic scientific research." Forty-six of the convention delegates were awarded the Paul Tissandier diploma for outstanding achievements in the field of rocket-military aviation. — United Press.

## PLEA FOR EZRA POUND

Washington, Apr. 14. Lawyers acting on behalf of American poet Ezra Pound, charged with treason during World War II, appealed today to the American Government to dismiss the charges against Pound.

Pound's lawyers supported their plea with letters from the well-known American poet, Robert Frost, saying that it would be a "tragedy for American letters" if Pound were left to end his days in the mental institutions where he has been since 1948. — France-Press.

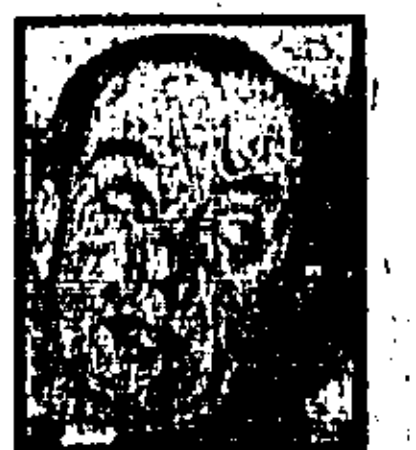
## THE CLASH IN COURT

THE most compelling legal dramas are often enacted when the Expert steps into the witness box and counsel begins to cross-examine him.

This is the theme of Edgar Lustgarten's new series which begins on Saturday.

In it the famous broadcaster, novelist and criminologist recalls some of the thrilling verbal clashes in court when the Expert gives evidence.

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# DIEFENBAKER— the man way out in front

HOW THE SMART ALECS OF WHITEHALL  
UNDERESTIMATED HIS BURNING FAITH

by DEREK MARKS

**JOHN DIFENBAKER**, the man with a burning faith in Canada and the Commonwealth, has been swept back into office by the biggest majority in his country's history.

The man who came to London just on 10 months ago, within a few days of gaining office as the head of a minority Government, is today the most secure Prime Minister in the Commonwealth.

Last year Diefenbaker was held to have triumphed merely by displacing the Liberals after they had been in office for 22 years, though not himself getting a clear majority. Now he has practically annihilated that once all-powerful party.

## Transformed

How has the Canadian political scene been so dramatically transformed in less than a year?

The answer lies in the person and personality of Diefenbaker himself. He has brought inspiration and hope to the Canadian people by offering a leadership based on faith and conviction.

And he wants Canada to give the same sort of leadership to the rest of the Commonwealth. His campaign slogan was simply "Let's make Canada splendid"—and he sees the splendour of Canada enhancing the glory of the Commonwealth.

This was the message he carried across Canada with that fervent oratory that drags in the voters. In his speaking there is much of the fervour, much of the preaching, much of the Baptist and the lawyer.

But the man has the same compelling incandescence in private conversation. Meet him in the quiet of his second-floor office in Ottawa's government building, or in a London hotel. Wherever he is the message is the same, the blue, slightly bulging eyes flash with the same intensity.

This man lives as though with a massive spring coiled inside him. Gestures jerk his arms and shoulders. Words spill from his wide lips.

When he went to London last June the smart Ales of Whitehall underestimated him. They were accustomed to the polished phrases of the long-in-office Liberals. The passion of the Prairie lawyer from Saskatchewan seemed almost scurrilous. The man actually had faith in the Commonwealth.

## Tremendous

He came out with his vision—any plan for switching 600 million dollars worth of Canada's trade from the United States to Britain. It was a tremendous gesture. But he was repaid with what was probably one of the shabbiest tricks played by the British Government on a Commonwealth Prime Minister.

Whitehall offered to set up an Anglo-Canadian Free Trade Area—well knowing that nothing could bring greater embarrassment to Diefenbaker. It was at that moment—when the whole Canadian Press let out an angry howl—that Diefenbaker calmly showed his greatness.

He made it clear that he was going ahead with his plans to expand trade. He made it clear that the free trade idea was not on. And he announced that he would send a trade mission to Britain. Diefenbaker was not deterred from his policy by Whitehall's shabby behaviour.

## Vindicated

All that happened last autumn. Diefenbaker carried on with his minority government, during the Liberals' forced General Election. They did not dare. Then, when he judged the time right, Diefenbaker called a General Election—and he has been astonishingly vindicated.

When in Ottawa they talk about the Diefenbaker Government they mean just that. For

the Prime Minister is by far the dominant character in the Cabinet. The rest of the Ministers that I met did not come near him in stature.

I believe that in this grey-haired, 62-year-old lies the potential to lead not only his own country, but the whole Commonwealth.

Interestingly, that is exactly what he has been doing. He was way out in front of other Western statesmen in calling for talks with the Russians—even suggesting that they should be held in Canada.

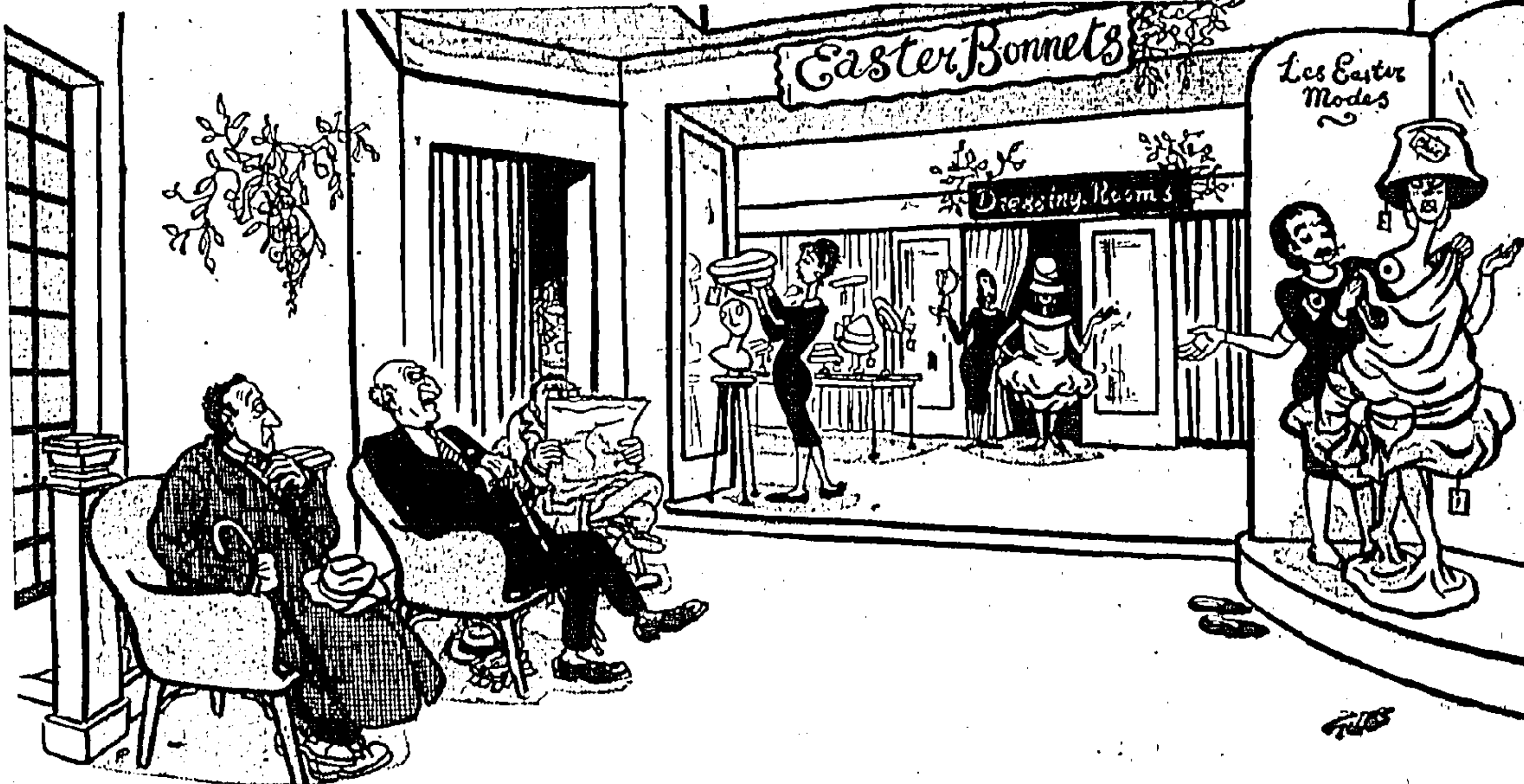
A few weeks ago Diefenbaker told the electors of Halifax, Nova Scotia, that the Canadians "are 10 million people sitting on top of the world's greatest treasure house of undeveloped resources."

His aim and policy is to see that Britain and the rest of the Commonwealth share in the Aladdin's Cave that lies beneath the lakes and the forests.

"I don't intend to make competition for Canadian industry. But I do intend to provide additional dollars into the United Kingdom as one of our best prospective markets. Then she in turn will be able to bring back into existence the traditional export market that we have nearly lost." That is how he explained it a few days ago.

There is no question of Diefenbaker being anti-American. He is simply pro-Canadian and pro-Commonwealth. With these twin ideals he may well succeed in rekindling the whole concept of Commonwealth. For certain he will have a good try.

(London Express Service).



"Here comes somebody now. Ye gods—I hope THAT isn't mine."

# WORLD BEATERS!

by TREVOR EVANS

NOT far short of a million men and women help in one way or another to clothe us. Most of them work in Lancashire and Yorkshire making the materials. And in the old days it was fairly easy and correct to say that while Yorkshire was concerned exclusively with woollen and worsted goods, Lancashire stuck rigidly to cotton.

That picture has become blurred. Not that they are shouting this from the house-tops in the North. The truth is that the old textile industries are being saved by the newest products of man's ingenuity—man-made fibres. That will be challenged by Yorkshire and Lancashire. The protest will be more vociferous from Yorkshire, because the wool folk there are convinced that they are well able to stand on their own.

Indeed, one of the most refreshing features of my visit to

exported 104 million square yards of wool cloth last year compared with 96,000,000 in 1938. Yet there are only 200,000 employed in the industry now compared with 224,000 in 1939.

This, he pointed out, proved how much more efficient the industry had become. And like so many more people around Bradford were to do later in the day, he boasted about the super-draft introduced by Air Marshal Geoffrey Ambler, and the auto-leveller devised by Mr George F. Raper. These two inventions are the modern Yorkshire heroes.

So perhaps it was a little uncharitable of me to mention that whereas Yorkshire produced 440 million square yards of wool cloth 20 years ago, last year's output was 393 million square yards.

That made the Yorkshireman wrathful. There were difficulties

now which did not exist before the war. The Italians, for instance. They have been rushing cheaper quality stuff to this country which has been damaging the trade in Dewsbury and Batley.

## A danger

BUT on the other hand Yorkshire has manfully met and solved another major post-war problem. Earning dollars. There is some resentment. I gathered, among the textile people. They feel that Britain has not sufficiently recognised the part played by wool in exports to the United States. Consistently and unspectacularly wool has been among Britain's top dollar earners for the last 10 years. There is a danger that wool may have been too successful. And every time there is a whisper from Washington that American tariffs may be raised, there is a shudder in Bradford.

There are other misgivings. Yorkshire is in a mixed mind about this European free trade idea. It would like more evidence that the Government would stop cheaper Continental goods flooding this market. But Yorkshire always adds that on quality it has nothing to fear from Europe—or anywhere else.

Only very occasionally did they talk about "mixtures" in Yorkshire. The significance and importance of this did not strike me for several days. For a "mixture" is the introduction of man-made fibres into wool. That really is a Manchester story, and obviously Yorkshire did not feel called upon to say too much about it. Indeed, when I announced that I was going into Lancashire to see how other textiles were doing, there were obvious signs of disapproval. Yorkshire wool definitely does not want to be lumped with Lancashire. And I now think this is partly Lancashire's fault.

## No gloom

THE cotton men have rather been shouting "Wolter" pretty often. There was that recent outburst by the defeated Tory candidate at Rochdale, who alleged that the cotton manufacturers had ganged up against him in protest at the Government's refusal to increase tariffs against the flood of cotton goods from the East. And 200 mills have closed down during the last two years. From a distance it looked black in Lancashire.

But what a refreshing time I had among the cotton leaders. There is nothing downhearted about them. They have more courage than problems, and that says plenty.

For in the old days, when they worked 10 hours in the mills, they spun and weaved for Britain in two hours before breakfast and for the rest of the world the rest of the day. But today it is the exact opposite, with less than 30 per cent of output being exported. And once there were 660,000 in cotton and now there are barely 200,000.

But when Mr Roger Lee escorted me round the show-rooms of the Calico Printers' Association in Manchester, he and his executives were actually saying, "It's wonderful

how cotton has become recognised as a fashion fabric." And around me were more than 1,000 patterns in all shades and colours.

The world has shrunk for Lancashire cotton, with factories going up in Australia, India, in Africa, and elsewhere. But with good Lancashire money in them.

The talk all the time was about quality. That is Lancashire's hope and confidence.

In this showroom I found the essence of the Lancashire attitude. And it is love for cotton, with the recognition that the newer fabrics have come both to spur "the old lady" to find greater beauties than anyone ever suspected she possessed, and to help her to create new high standards for textiles.

## Same men

IN Manchester today they are saying that we are only on the fringe of finding new qualities and uses for the mixtures, cotton and the whole range of synthetic fibres. And that they say in Manchester today, the world will understand tomorrow.

Remember, it will be the same Lancashire mills and the same Lancashire operatives who will be producing this new stuff.

And grave, balanced Sir Alfred Roberts, the textile union chief, reminded me that his people are now engaged on work-study and committed to shift-working in mills which bring themselves up to date.

Sir Alfred is proud that textiles have had no major strike for more than 30 years. The unions have taken the line that what could be paid out in wages depended on what came in from the sales of cotton. So they have always been cautious in their demands. And in cotton now their wages are three and a half to four times what they were before the war. And, paradoxically, in some cotton districts there is an actual shortage of workers.

But for real enthusiasm about the future, Mr Phillip Rowe is the man. He is the spokesman of the British Man-made Fibres Association. He rattled off the British pioneers in viscose, acetate, and Terylene. How British scientists produced tyre-cord yarns which have now revolutionised tyre-making.

## New ideas

It is astonishing how many mixtures are already produced, especially in the popular priced men's suits from Yorkshire, and in women's summer dresses from Lancashire.

And whenever these new fibres can bring new qualities to these old veterans, wool and cotton, then wool and cotton benefit too.

That is the brightest hope for British textile trades. Happily, so many in the North realise it, which is why those old rival counties up there are now among the most exciting places in all Britain.

# You use a mile a year of it—EVERYONE DOES

Report by MAGNUS MAGNUSSON

IT is used by South American Indians to cure rheumatism. It is used by Cuban peasants to prevent styes in the eye. It is used by the Dutch to catch mice.

It is used by Hindus to ward off evil spirits. It is used by Icelandic housewives to cut hard-boiled eggs. It is used by Indians to fly kites.

It was used by Edison in his first successful electric light bulb. It was used by Stewart Granger as a temporary engagement ring for Jean Simmons. That has given it away. You have guessed it now. It's thread. Ever since that fellow Theseus from Athens sneaked into the original labyrinth in Crete to kill the Minotaur monster, paying out a spool of thread as his way out of it again, thread has been considered pretty vital stuff.

Not quite so long ago, as legend has it, Henry II lost his favourite girl friend, Fair Rosamund, when the Queen's side-kick used the thread technique to penetrate the maze at Woodstock, where Rosamund had been hidden by the King, and kill her.

## Fantastic

THESE are, perhaps, extreme examples of life and death. Nobody bothers to make up fairy tales about thread any more because nowadays we take it so much for granted. In Great Britain alone, the average consumption of thread is now round about a

mile a year per head of population, with the staggering annual total for Britain of 81,000 million yards, of which about five-sixths is used by industry.

The annual figure for world consumption is so fantastic, apparently, that no one has yet worked it out exactly. To that total, whatever it is, must be added the amount consumed by the South American Indians, who chew skeins of cotton thread as a cure for rheumatism. Thread is now so interwoven in our lives that it, by some freak of chemical disturbance, every spot of thread in use today were to dissolve, evaporate, and vanish without trace the results would be alarming.

## Unstitched

ALL belt-driven machinery in factories would come to an abrupt halt. Motor-cars would overheat and stop when the faces stopped working. Surgeons would be gravely hampered in the operating theatres, where synthetic thread is widely used for tying incisions.

In our homes, the electrical wiring system would be endangered, for thread is used to reinforce the insulation. If by-products were similarly affected, the articles made from the 40 per cent cotton "waste" marketed by the thread-making mills would also disappear—and their number would surprise you.

Carpets and curtains would unravel. Mattresses would give a sigh and expire. Worst disaster of all, your banknotes, after of all, your banknotes, would come to pieces in your

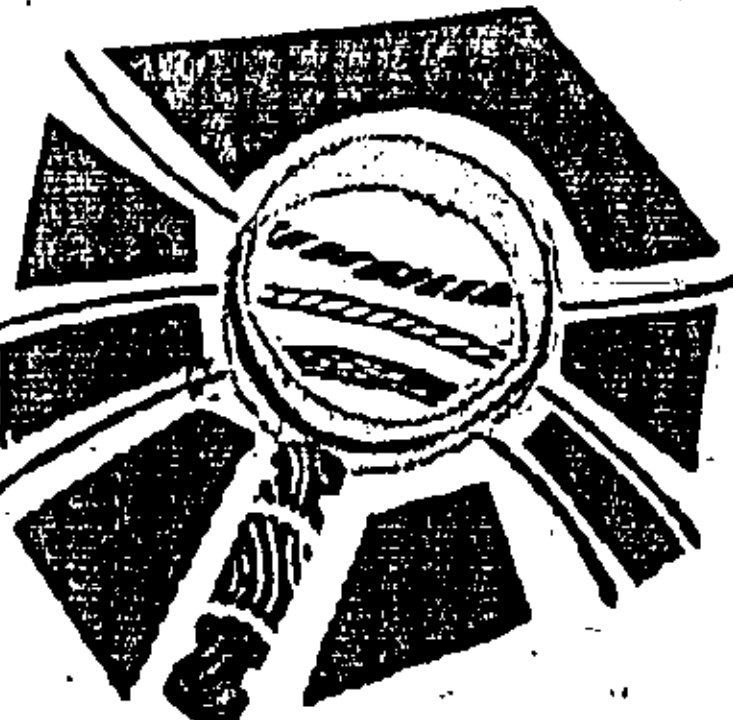
wallet. Cotton waste goes into the making of the paper. The tale of wool is not yet ended. Sport would be hampered. Footballs would come apart. It is the thread-seaming on a cricket ball that gives the fast bowler his "swing" and thread is its core, too. South Arabians would no doubt be bitten by snakes, for they use thread tied round the left leg below the knee as a charm against snake bites.

## Gossamer

THERE is an almost endless variety of thread. One firm of cotton sewing thread manufacturers alone makes more than 1,100 different types of thread.

There is thread for sewing, for darning, for knitting, for crocheting, for embroidery. You can buy thread as thin as gossamer (well, nearly) made out of Terylene, and thread as thick as string, in every conceivable intermediate thickness, toughness, and shade. Synthetic threads are now coming into their own—tougher than cotton finer than linen, but less resistant to the great heat generated by the high-speed industrial stitching machines.

The manufacture of all these different threads presents its own crop of difficulties. Each blossom of cotton (which is only there to protect the cotton seeds from damage) produces on average about three inches of thread. But between the raw material in any Egypt or Sudan and the finished product in the thread-making firms of Britain there lies a gruelling course of lengthy and extremely violent treatment. The cotton has to be blended, scutched, carded, pre-combed,



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## PORTUGAL RETAIN HOCKEY CROWN



Portugal and the local Commonwealth hockey teams pose this for the record in the Ladies' International hockey series at King's Park on Saturday. Portugal won by four goals to nil to retain the "Van Vliet Shield."—China Mail Photo.

## EVERTON'S ENTERPRISING EXAMPLE SOIL-WARMING APPARATUS TO BE INSTALLED AGAINST SNOW, ICE AND FROST

By CLAUDE RICHARDSON

London.

The first move towards freeing English football from the threats of snow, ice and frost will be made later this month at Everton's ground at Goodison Park, Liverpool.

On April 22 workmen are due to start installing soil-warming apparatus in the Everton pitch. A new draining system will be put in, and warming wires will then be laid every six inches across the ground. When the job is finished, play will go on at Goodison Park in the face of almost every difficulty Winter can produce.

Snow will be dissolved and frost kept at bay by the warming electric current through the wired soil, controlled automatically by a thermostat actuated by air and ground temperatures. Having a ground fit for play in virtually every type of bad weather will not only save Everton from big losses through postponements, but will also protect their players.

### Costly

Frost-bound, icy pitches bring a crop of injuries, costly in valuable league points as well as in money. With the new system in operation, Everton can look forward to a decline in the tall bad weather tales of players.

The development of the soil-warming system was carried out at the Bingley Sports Turf Research Institute in Yorkshire. Scientists there tested out one of the big difficulties, prohibitive cost, by adopting the use of plastic cables which can be laid easily and cheaply.

Cost of installing the system is about £4,000—cheap when one considers what can be lost through cancellations of matches and injuries to players. Every night and also on Saturday morning, it would not cost more

than £150 a week to run, the scientists estimate. Everton pioneered the idea of soil-warming way back in 1935. Now they are first to take advantage of this biggest technical advance in soccer since the introduction of floodlighting. The entire scheme, including the laying of a new drainage system, will cost the club about £15,000. There is no doubt about the efficiency of the system. It has been tried and proved successful in tests at the Bingley Institute over the past couple of years. A wired plot there remained soft, dry enough for play and almost free from snow through the worst-spasms of bad weather.

### Enviably

The work at Everton's ground is expected to take five weeks to complete. It will leave the club with a pitch which every other club in the country will envy. As time goes on, it seems virtually certain big clubs all over Britain will follow Everton's enterprising example, and in a few years the weather may cease to exert a crippling influence on top soccer fixtures.

Victory of Sir Harold Warner's colt Aggressor in the 2,000

Guineas Trial Stakes at Kempton Park on Easter Monday has touched off criticism of rules of entry at English classic races.

Aggressor was not entered for any of the great three-year-old classic events and he cannot now be given engagements—though no doubt his owner would be prepared to pay a stiff fee to allow him to run in the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket on April 30.

Entries for all five classics close in November, two years before races are to be run, when horses involved are yearlings. No matter how likely a prospect a colt or filly becomes on its subsequent running as a two-year-old or three-year-old, it cannot run in classics unless it has been entered as a yearling.

### Just Hard Luck

Of course almost any fault high on breeding and having preferences to class is entered for classics precautionarily. But those with moderate breeding sometimes make great progress as early three-year-olds and if they were not entered for classics it is just hard luck on their owners.

With entry and forfeit fees it costs about £200 sterling to run a horse in the Derby or St. Leger and about £100 sterling for Guineas classics. Fees for the forfeit stage a year before the Derby and St. Leger were raised last year to £100 sterling and though there appears no noticeable decline in the number of those engaged this year cost may force several owners to forfeit too soon in future years.

### An Alternative

An alternative could be the introduction of supplementary entries for classics. A fee of, say, £200 sterling payable about three weeks before a race could make any horse not originally entered eligible for these classics.

This custom is extremely popular among owners in the United States.

The Jockey Club, who alone can change rules of racing, have also been criticised over the first forfeit for the Derby, Guineas and Oaks, which come as early as July of the previous year.

Owners with horses in after this date have a liability of £100 sterling and none can be absolutely sure then whether their classic-entered two-year-old will make the grade.

The first forfeit for the St. Leger is in October, but the race is run in the Year. A reduced first forfeit of say £20 sterling and another in October to bring the total up to £100 sterling would give owners longer to decide whether a horse has a chance and at the same time would not appear likely to reduce the total of the stakes.—Reuter.

## DRINK COST HIM A DERBY WIN

### William Scott Rode Nineteen Classic Winners —A Unique Record

By PERCY RUDD

The achievement of William Scott, who rode nine winners of the St Leger, four of the Derby, three of the Oaks and three of the Two Thousand Guineas is unique in the records of England's classic races.

Only the intervention of the Jockey Club prevented him from claiming ten St Legers. In 1819, two years before his first unquestioned victory, there was an extraordinary happening on Doncaster's Town Moor.

Five horses in a field of 19 were left at the post. The other fourteen completed the course, but the Stewards ordered the race to be re-run. At the second attempt, when only ten started, Sir Walter, one of those left on the first occasion, was ridden by Scott to victory.

But there was an appeal in the Jockey Club and the Stewards decided that the original race, won by Antonio, must stand.

So Scott had to be content with nine Leger successes, even though he had heard the famous Yorkshire race on Town Moor cheering him home ten times.

It is hard to believe that anyone with such a record—he was on four successive Legs

John Scott not only looked after his horses, but he had never fewer than 100 under his care, he looked after himself. And this is more than his brother did. John lived to be 70, while Bill died in his 50th year.

The record of John Scott is by modern standards fantastic. Between 1827 and 1868 horses trained by him won 10 Legers, six Derbys, nine Oaks, six 2,000 Guineas and four 1,000 Guineas.

Rift Over Drink

Bill was the stable jockey until his drinking habits caused a rift. Then he set himself up in the triple role of owner, trainer and rider. But his best years in the saddle were those when he had the pick of his brother's unmatched stable.

No one can say what heights that record would have reached had he been a sober-living instead of a reckless and towards the end a dissipated man.

The most glaring example of Bill's weakness for the bottle came in the Derby of 1846, when he rode his own horse, Sir Tatton Sykes, winner of the Derby and subsequently of the St Leger.

This very useful colt, originally Tibthorpe, had been named by Scott, when he bought him, after the Yorkshire squire who founded the famous Yorkshire stud. He had become one of the Derby favourites and Bill was furious when he reached the course to find bookmakers holding against him.

Reinforced by a quick glass of brandy, he rushed into Tattersall's Ring shouting "I'll take eight thousand to a thousand Sir Tatton wins in a trot."

Beaten By A Neck

Bill was, from all accounts, unconsciously drunk when he mounted. He caused a delay at the post, and the starter, who was, by many lengths, last away. In the end Sam Day beat him by a neck on John Gully's horse Pyrrhus the First.

Next day he must have been sober. Next day he must have been sober. Next day he must have been sober.

When the Leger came round the betting public were not so much concerned with whether the colt was fit and well, as whether his rider was sober.

Bill's friends were taking no chances. They never left him after he had ridden on the first day of the meeting until he mounted Sir Tatton Sykes in the paddock.

Even so, when the colt was a couple of lengths in front, a furlong from home, Scott was leaning forward on his neck, apparently exhausted.

Would he fall off? He didn't, and so Sir Tatton Sykes won his second classic race by half a length—and Bill Scott's impoverished exchequer received the welcome addition of £2,925 in stakes and more than £3,000 in bets.

Violent Dislike

The horse on which Scott rode his first Leger winner, Jack Spigot, took a violent dislike to him. He would never allow him

to enter his box and grow angry even at the sound of his voice.

When he rode the third of Richard Watt's five Leger winners—Memnon in 1825—in a field of 30, still the record for the race, the national interest in the result was such that it was sent by carrier pigeon to London and by specially trained dogs to Manchester.

Scott rode the first Northern-trained winner of the Derby in 1835. This was Mundik, who was foaled in the year that his owner, John Bowes, celebrated his 21st birthday. Hence his name: Mundik is German for "of age."

Bill made one of his big mistakes over the 1844 Leger, won by a very moderate Irish colt, Folg a Billagh. He bet the owner an even £1,000 that the horse wouldn't start!

### Curious Bets

There were other curious wagers made over Folg a Billagh—£100 to £10 that he would finish last and an even £50 that he would be beaten by four lengths. Yet he started second favourite at 7-2 and won by a length from the 5-4 chance The Cure.

The Scott brothers were born at Chippenham, a village near Newmarket. Their father was a player. "Kamo has improved a lot," Gavin said. "He is young compared to our best players (Fellelsimo) Ampon and (Raymundo) Deyro. Kamo has improved a lot. He has played abroad many times, and the record shows that he has beaten several internationally-ranked players." Ampon is 33 and Deyro 33.

There John developed his training knowledge and Bill the skill and resolution in the saddle that carried him through 30 successful years from 1814 to 1847. His last mount was on his own horse, Christopher, in the Derby of 1847. Fifteen months later he was dead.

### ASIAN GAMES

## Tungku Rahman: A Privilege To Welcome Athletes To Malaya

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 15. The Prime Minister, Tun Abdul Rahman, said today Malaya was "keenly interested" in staging the 1962 Asian Games. Last week the Federation of Malaya Olympic Council decided not to bid for the 1962 Games, until it had studied the "full implications" of staging them.

The Tungku said any approach the Olympic Council made to him over the staging of the Games would "receive a warm welcome."

"It will be a privilege and a pleasure to welcome Asian athletes to the next Games if it is decided to hold them in Malaya," the Tungku said.—Reuter.

## JUMPING FOR THE BALL



Looks as though Chelsea goalkeeper Matthews is being kicked into the air by an opponent as he is caught by the camera jumping for the ball past a high-kicking Nottingham Forest player during a First Division match at Stamford Bridge, London, on April 4.—Reuterphoto.

## P.I. Davis Cup Coach Baulks At Predicting A Victory Over Japan

Manila, Apr. 14.

The coach of the Philippine Davis Cup team has baulked at predicting a victory for this country over Japan in the Eastern Zone semi-finals and warned against "under-estimating the Japanese."

Coach Leonardo Gavin, five-time Philippine Champion (1933-1937), while conceding that the loss of Atsushi Miyagi, due to illness, was a "great blow" for the Japanese, called attention to the following:

(1) The lowering stature of Koshi Kamo, Japan's No. 1 player. "Kamo has improved a lot," Gavin said. "He is young compared to our best players (Fellelsimo) Ampon and (Raymundo) Deyro. Kamo has improved a lot. He has played abroad many times, and the record shows that he has beaten several internationally-ranked players." Ampon is 33 and Deyro 33.

(2) The matches being played in Japan (May 2, 3 and 4). "On their own courts, own country, you can never tell about the Japanese," Gavin added. "They say that Osumi (Shiguro) and Yoshinaka (Shibata) are not so good. How do we know? Maybe in their matches against Thailand they only exerted themselves enough effort to win."

### Crucial Match

(3) The "crucial" doubles match. Gavin assumed that Kamo could wreck both Ampon and Deyro in the singles. This to the doubles match, since the odds are that Ampon and Deyro can beat either Ishiguro or Shibata.

Stalling tomorrow, Gavin disclosed that he would try

### One Change In Scotland's Side Against England

Glasgow, Apr. 14. Scotland have been forced to make a change in their international soccer team to play England at Hampden Park here on Saturday.

Allan Brown of Luton Town, chosen as inside left, has withdrawn because of damaged ankle ligaments. His place will be taken by Jim Forrest, Motherwell forward who gains his first cap.—China Mail Special.

## Another Russian Breaks World Lifting Record

Moscow, Apr. 14. Ravi Khabodanov, of the Soviet Union, set a World Middleweight weightlifting record in Stalin today with a press of 137.5 kilograms (303 lbs), according to Tass, the official Soviet news agency.

The previous record was 130 kilograms (286 lbs) held by another Russian, Fedor Bogdanovskiy. Khabodanov's press was the third world record to be set in Stalin in two days. On Saturday Georgi Lohandzev beat his lightweight press record with a lift of 128.5 kilograms (283 lbs) and Viktor Bushuyev raised a total of 387.5 kilograms (853 pounds) to better his previous world lightweight best.—Reuter.

## Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess.
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail, My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is:

of the ..... Club.

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## THE GAMBOLS



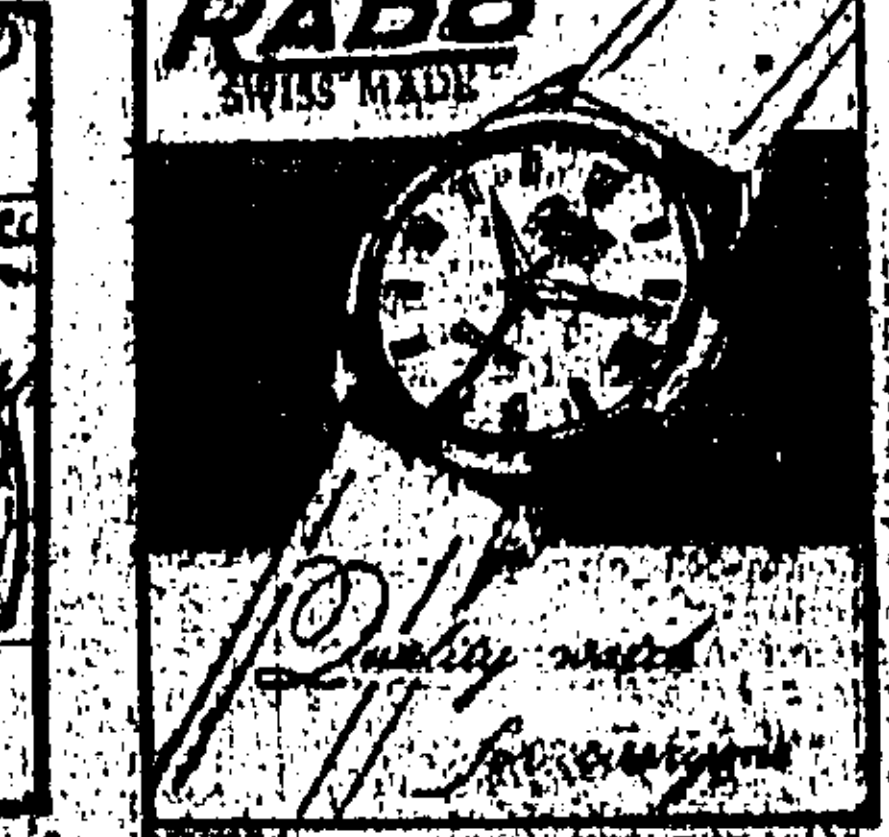
## By Barry Appleby



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# UNITED SIDE HAVE ENORMOUS COURAGE

## ROUND THE STABLES

### Articeelagh May Change McGrath's Ascot Luck

By PETER SCOTT

Mr Joe McGrath's three-year-old Articeelagh is one of Ireland's outstanding prospects for the 1958 flat season. Rated second in the Irish Free Handicap, the big, black son of Arctic Star owes that position to his four-length win in the Beresford Stakes over a mile in heavy going at The Curragh last November. There is no chance of Articeelagh winning an English or Irish classic. He has not been entered. The owner's son, Senamus, who trains 55 of the family's horses at Glencairn, co. Dublin, explains why.

"In a big stud there could be more than 20 yearlings with classic possibilities at the time of making entries. It is too expensive to nominate them all. Articeelagh did not show any outstanding promise, so he was one we left out."

Fortunately, the £25,000 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot in July does not close for another two months. The colt will be entered for that and, if he does well in his spring races, will be specially trained for it, as was Supreme Court seven years ago.

"The Ascot race has been unlucky for us in the past," adds Senamus. "Arctic Prince and Arctic Time, two of the best horses my father ever owned, broke down in it, so I think we deserve a change of fortune."

#### Derby Field

Solar Trial is the only one of Senamus' three-year-olds who could be in the Epsom Derby field, but the stable is making no ambitious plans until he shows improvement.

The handicapper has taken no chances with Lincoln hope Venus Slipper, though a previous race at Baldylee will give him an advantage over the English runners.

Last year's Royal Ascot winner Chevastrid has wintered well. He will race at less than a mile this season and bids for one of Ascot's big prizes, the King's Stand or Cork and Orrery Stakes.

The 30-strong team of two-year-olds are a handsome lot. They include Tulyareic, a Tulyar colt and the last foal of

## Cup Final Is Toughest To Forecast For Years

Says TOM FINNEY

As a prophet maybe I should stick to plumbing! I've just been re-reading an earlier column in which I said I thought Wolverhampton Wanderers didn't have the staying power to win the Championship.

And here, as I write, they are just five points from that goal and only nine from equalling Arsenal's most-sweeping-over title win in the 1930-31 season.

Well, we can all make mistakes. But just to even things up you might remember that both Bolton and Manchester United were in my four selections to reach Wembley.

Frankly, I'm not risking going further than that for the moment. This is the toughest Cup Final to forecast for years. And I say that after the experience of being in the Preston team knocked out of the Cup by Bolton—and immediately after playing the new Manchester United at Old Trafford the other Saturday.

Now let's get one thing in perspective. Whatever the achievements of these remarkable young United men—and they have indeed been remarkable—I don't think the present side could ever at any time be reasonably comparable to the Manchester United team at the start of the season.

Public memory is notoriously short. But in football we shall never forget men like Duncan Edwards, Roger Byrne or Bill Whelan.

These were supermen, and they are as rare and precious as shooting stars.

The present Manchester United side have enormous courage. But it cannot dominate a game to the extent that makes an opponent feel he has little hope.

Best Prospect

It was great to see young Ken Morrison back in action in his first League game since the Munich disaster. He is certainly a star of the future. But again we should keep him in true perspective.

He played well. But he never really got the better of Preston's Joe Wallon.

In my view, the best new prospect of United's side is centre-

half Ronnie Cope. I found it almost impossible to believe that only a matter of weeks ago he was playing regularly for Manchester United's third team.

But whether or not this side can master a Bolton side in full cry raises a big question mark in my mind. Perhaps I'm swayed by the fact that on the day Bolton put us out they were in literally untouchable form.

If they can revive that on May 3, I think even Murphy's Marvels are going to meet their match. But in the meantime, Bolton have four injury problems—and that's why I won't be drawn into committing another prophecy just yet.

Glasgow Game

Now from club soccer to international soccer—with a word about that slight matter of the England v. Scotland game at Hampden Park, Glasgow, this Saturday.

You know, it's a strange thing in this football business, but an Englishman is never really accepted as a full international until he has played in this match on this ground. For some reason it's always regarded as the greatest test.

It's certainly always the peak of ambition, for playing at Hampden is an experience without parallel.

At Wembley you often feel you are playing at a kind of Ascot soccer. Thousands are there just because it's a social as well as a sporting occasion. But you never feel that at Hampden.

## QUEEN'S HORSE UNPLACED



Aggressor (J. Lindley up) winning the 2,000 Guineas Trial Stakes at Kempton Park on Easter Monday from Welsh Abbot and Mr Snake. The Queen was present to see her horse, Pail Mall (in rear on right) unplaced.—Central Press Photo.

## Senators Win Opening Game In Major League

Washington, Apr. 14. A pair of sixth-inning errors by the Boston Red Sox opened the gate for three unearned runs which helped the Washington Senators win the opening game of the 1958 Major League Baseball season, 5-2, today before a crowd that included President Eisenhower.

President Eisenhower made two ceremonial pitches before the start of the game and then sat back in sunny mild weather with the rest of the crowd of 20,075 to watch the Senators win their first Presidential-attended match in three seasons.

Pedro Ramos, 23-year-old Cuban right-hander who long has been a Red Sox nemesis, held Boston to five hits and contributed a single that broke a 2-2 tie in the sixth inning.

Ted Williams, the 1957 Major League Champion, was out of the Red Sox starting line-up because of an attack of food poisoning.

#### Pair Of Errors

A pair of errors by Red Sox shortstop Don Buddin and left fielder Gene Stephens, ailing in his return from a three-run outburst against Frank Sullivan in the sixth inning, helped the Senators score at 2-2 on Jim Lemon's fourth-inning homer and a run-producing single by Roy Sievers in the fifth.

Jackie Jensen, Red Sox outfielder, hit the first Major League homer of the season to produce the game's first two runs in the third inning. —United Press.

#### THE SCORES

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Washington 000-113-00x 5-8-2

F. Sullivan, Wall (7); Ramos (1-0)

at Courtney, LP-F. Sullivan (0-1)

HRS-Jensen (1st), Lemon (1st).—United Press.

#### Presidential Pitches

Washington, Apr. 14. President Eisenhower threw out a pair of ceremonial first balls today to open the 1958 Major League Baseball season.

Both of the President's honorary pitches were high hard ones—vigorous overhand tosses into the cluster of Washington Senators and Boston Red Sox players in front of the Presidential Box between home plate and first base.

As the President pounded the ball into the pocket of his pitcher's glove and prepared to make his first toss, someone in the crowd yelled, "Fore"—a reference to his golfing.

The first Presidential pitch was snared by Washington centerfielder Whitby Herzog. Washington made it a complete sweep when its bat boy—Jimmy Ryan—caught the second Presidential pitch on a carom off many outstretched hands.

Some 27,000 persons, lured by a perfect spring day with the temperature hitting 69 degrees, turned out for the opener between the Red Sox and Washington.—United Press.

## Sports Diary

### TODAY

HKFA Council Meeting, Sports Road, 5.45 p.m.  
HKASA Executive Committee Meeting, Club Lusitano 5.20 p.m.  
Annual Meeting of the Lawn Tennis Association, Club Lusitano, 5.30 p.m.

### TOMORROW

Hockey  
Men's International: Ireland v India, Sookunpoo, 5.30 p.m.  
Bowls  
Empire Games Lawn Bowls trial matches at KBCG, 5.15 p.m.  
Tennis  
Inter-school Tennis at CRC, 2.15 p.m.

### IF ALLOCATED

## Australian Govt. Will Provide Cash To Stage Next Empire Games

Canberra, Apr. 14. The Australian Government will provide £A100,000 (£80,000 sterling) towards the cost of staging the 1962 Empire Games if they are allocated to Australia.

The Prime Minister, Mr Robert Menzies, announced this today in a telegram sent to the Premier of Western Australia and South Australia.

Payments would be made either to Perth or Adelaide, both of which are seeking to stage the Games and have been given until May 31 to submit detailed plans.

When the plans are received the Australian British Empire and Commonwealth Games Association will make a decision in June and forward a recommendation to the Empire and Commonwealth Games Federation.

No other city has so far applied to stage the Games.—Reuter.

## Home Soccer Results

Results in tonight's football matches were:

LEAGUE ONE

Newcastle U. 4 Manchester C. 1

LEAGUE THREE NORTH

Accrington S. 2 Halifax T. 1

Barnford 4 Darlington 1

Carlisle U. 2 Ennarrow 1

Gateshead 2 Mansfield T. 1

Stockport C. 2 Hartlepool 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE ONE

Queen's Park 0 St Mirren 1

(Postponed from April 5).

## A Record Entry For British Amateur Golf Championship

St Andrews, Apr. 14. A record entry of 514 has been received for the 1958 British Amateur Golf Championship to be played here from June 2 to 7.

The previous largest entry was 324 in 1950. The field this year will be reduced by holding 14 qualifying regional events to be played in Britain on May 10.

Two hundred golfers, including exempted players, will contest the match play stages of the Championship proper.

Exempted players will include 10 entrants made through the United States Golf Association, two entrants each from Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa, five national title holders of Europe, and the holders of the British Amateur title and the English, Scottish, Irish and Welsh Close Championships.—China Mail Special.

## French Team Against Ireland For Saturday

Paris, Apr. 14. France will rely on the team that beat Wales 16-6 at Cardiff two weeks ago for their match against Ireland here on Saturday in the final match of the Rugby Union International Championship.

Team: Michel Vannier (Racing Club), Henri Rancoule, Maurice Prat, Antoine Labazuy (Lourdes), Pierre Danos (Bozlers), Aldo Qunglio (Mazamet), Alfred Vigier (Montferland), Alfred Rogues (Cahors), Michel Delays (Blarritz, Captain), Lucien Mins (Mazamet), Michel Crauste (Racing Club), Jean Bartho (Lourdes), Henri Domto (Lourdes).—China Mail Special.

## HOME RUGBY RESULTS

Results in tonight's Rugby Union and League matches were:

Rugby Union

Cambridge 6, Cardiff 11.

Devonport Services 0, Newport 18.

Llanelli 10, Swansea 3.

Pearcy 3, Ebbw Vale 3.

Pennance and Newlyn 3, Penarth 13.

Rugby League

St Helen's 42, Salford 8.—Reuter.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



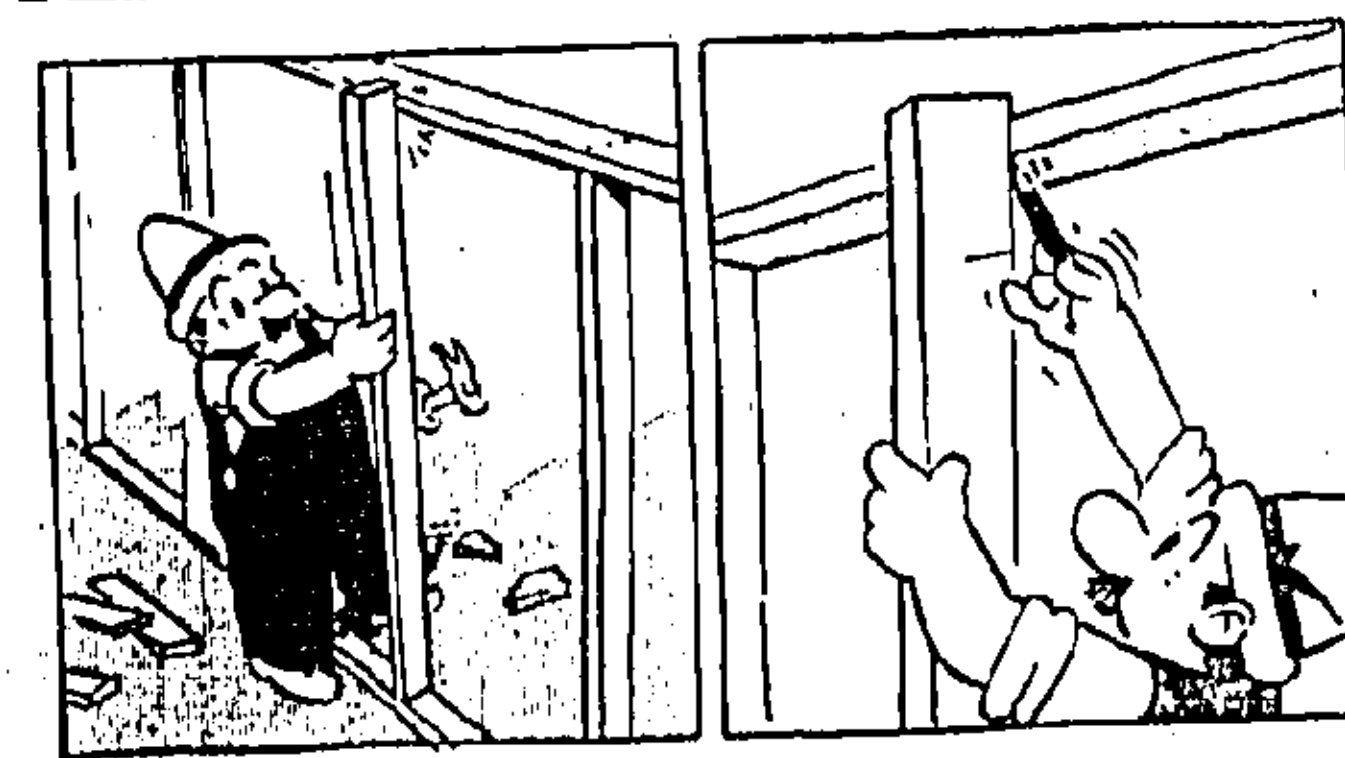
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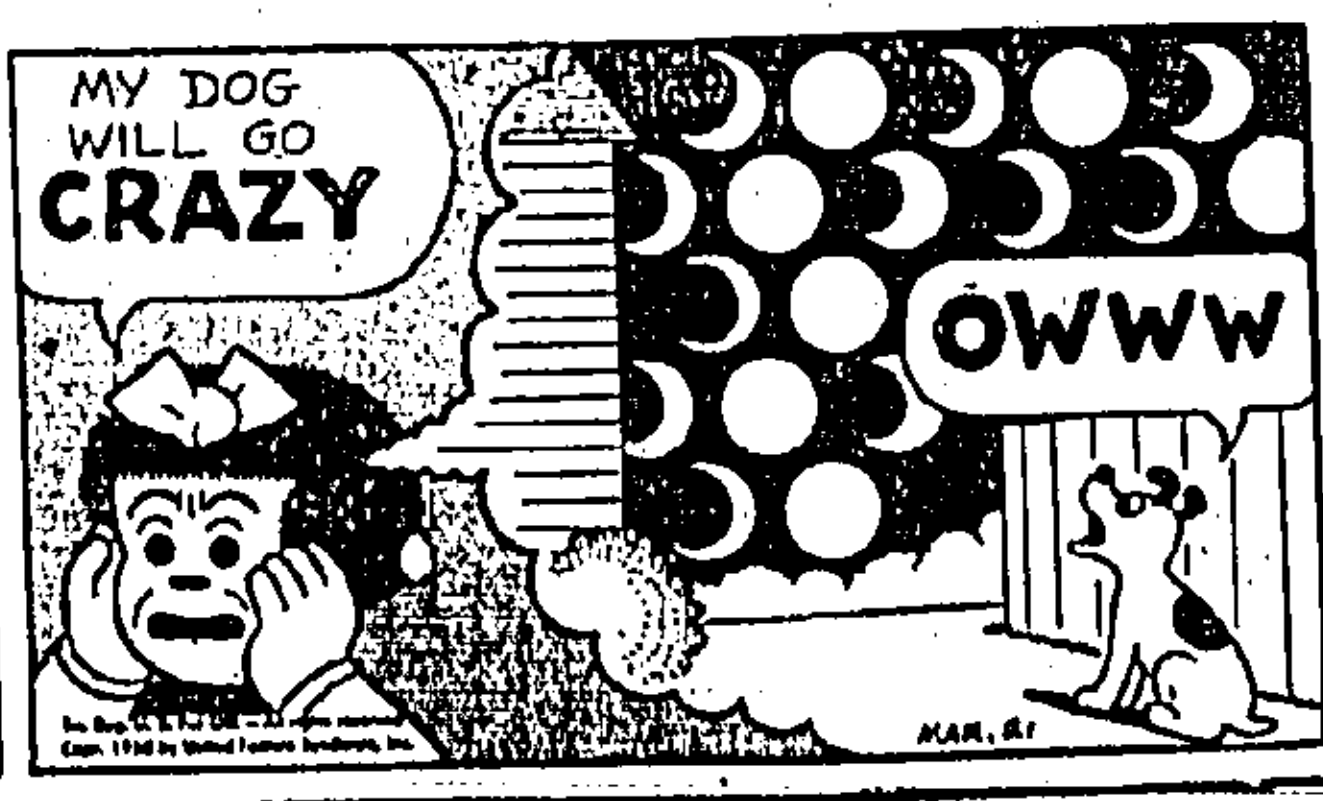
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By Ernie Bushmiller



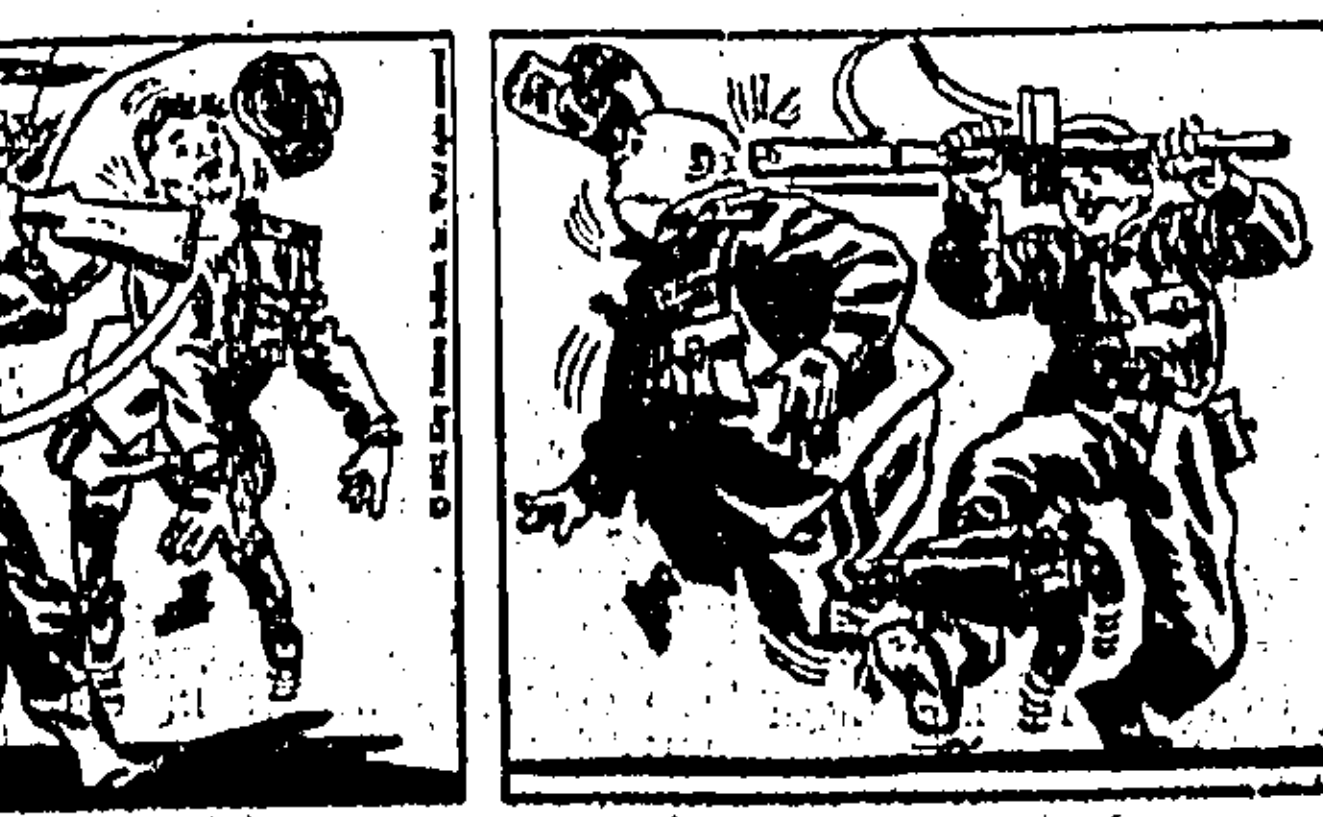
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# The Big Economic Problem Of The Present: Britain's Role In World Economy

By **RONALD BOXALL**

PEP is inclined to side with Mr Schwartz's title finger, these immediately suggest that small in relation to Britain's liabilities. But may hold that it is the general behaviour of the internal economy that gives rise to the difficulties of sterling, so it is a correction of instability at home that must be sought. With internal price stability, a foreign price policy will be required.

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## Suburban

London, Apr. 14.  
An objection by Mrs. Margaret Spooner to the erection of a sign bearing the word "Gentlemen" near her suburban house, was settled tonight.

The local health committee decided the sign should be fixed to an existing bus standard instead of on a separate pole. On Friday, as a protest, Mrs. Spooner sat on a chair over the hole where the sign was to be put up. — Reuter.

## UNUSUAL KIDNEY OPERATION

Boston, Apr. 14.  
Doctors said today it probably will be several weeks before they can determine whether a "startling new development" in kidney transplant operations had succeeded on an Ohio woman.

The woman, Mrs. Galdys Lowman, 31, was reported in critical condition at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, where the operation was performed last week.

The kidney of an unidentified four-year-old girl was implanted in the body of Mrs. Lowman. She had been rushed to Boston as an emergency case after removal of her only kidney in Ohio on March 15. She was born with only one kidney.

Heretofore, successful kidney transplant operations had been performed only on identical twins because of similar body chemistry. But Peter Bent doctors developed a theory that transplants could be made between unrelated persons if the bone marrow of the ill person was destroyed.

### NEW THEORY

The new theory was tried on Mrs. Lowman, with X-rays used to destroy her bone marrow and replacement marrow donated by her brother. Doctors said there was no evidence that it had or had not succeeded.

On March 14, at home, Mrs. Lowman's abdomen suddenly swelled and she suffered intense pain. Later, when surgery was performed, doctors found a kidney swollen with blood and removed it. Neither Mrs. Lowman nor the doctors knew she had been born with only one kidney.

The patient stopped breathing in the operating room but was brought back to life by a heart massage and down to Boston. — United Press.

## COCOM In For Lively Session

Paris, Apr. 14.  
COCOM, the 15-nation committee which governs the strategic embargo on East-West trade met here today after its Easter recess.

It is to carry out the first complete product-by-product review of the trade restrictions since 1954, according to sources close to the committee. These sources said COCOM faced what might prove its most arduous session for some years, leading well into the summer.

The review has been prompted by charges both in the Communist world and in the West, they said.

Soviet industrial and scientific progress may have put some of the restrictions out of date, while slackening industrial activity in some Western countries increased the need for new export markets.

The review is expected to oppose many European delegations to the United States. Britain, for instance, is believed to have taken the lead in pressing for a relaxation of the East-West trade restrictions while the United States is known to favour a strict embargo on such trade.

French sources here expressed the hope that the United States delegation had brought back from Washington more flexible instructions to enable some headway to be made in clearing away what they described as the "dead wood" of the embargo. — Reuter.

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## FRENCH SOCCER STARS DISAPPEAR

### Algerians Told To Quit France Or Die

Paris, Apr. 14.

Soccer star Mustapha Zitouni failed to show up today for an international match and unconfirmed reports spread that the Algerian Nationalists had ordered him and all other Algerian players in France to quit or die.

According to the reports Algerian players all over France had vanished and the French Surete Nationale was investigating.

Sports circles in the south of France said Algerian players named Boukekeur, Ben Tifour, Beklouh and Rouhal had not been seen since yesterday's Monaco versus Angers match at Nice.

The reports, if true, would be a heavy blow to French soccer and a stunning demonstration of the Algerian Nationalists' power over their fellow Moslems.

Officials at the Surete Nationale — the National Police Force run by the Ministry of the Interior — confirmed that its posts throughout France had been ordered to investigate whether Algerian players had in fact disappeared.

Nearly every French squad includes one or two Algerians. Three Algerians are among the 40 French players nominated for the World Cup games in Sweden next June.

Sports circles speculated that the FLN move against French soccer was inspired by the Cuban rebels' brief but highly publicized kidnapping in Havana of Argentine racing driver Juan Manuel Fangio.

Zitouni played for Monaco yesterday. He was to have caught the Nice-Paris train last night with his teammate, half-back Raymond Kaelbel, to play in the France-Switzerland game in Paris.

But Zitouni didn't make the train. Kaelbel went without him.

A check today at Zitouni's hotel in Nice, near the airport, showed that Zitouni had not returned there and that his wife also had disappeared.

Boukekeur and his wife also had disappeared from the hotel. One of Zitouni's teammates, Bouhel, who lives in the same hotel with him, said: "On Saturday I saw both Zitouni and Boukekeur move out of the hotel with their wives and belongings. I said nothing, thinking they had found a better hotel."

He added, "We all were good friends but they said nothing to me."

Last week Ben Tifour, a Tunisian player, sold the bar he owns in Nice. He also has disappeared.

Police in both Monaco and Nice were investigating. According to one report, all North African players were told to take assumed names and either go underground or abroad.

Professional football players in France average around 70,000 francs (US\$160) a month plus bonuses and living allowances.

When a player like Zitouni is sold to another club he can bring as high a price as 10 million francs (US\$23,000) and he gets a cut of the purchase price.

Police in Nice said they have sent a general alarm to all frontier posts and airfields to prevent the North African players from going abroad.

Roads were blocked in the Alps. Maritime Department and Gendarmes were alerted in the whole Riviera. A police official said it was still too early to say whether they had just gone to some other places because they were afraid of the FLN or had followed an order to disappear altogether. — United Press.

## SAVE OXFORD FUND SHORT

Oxford, Apr. 15.  
The fund to save the crumbling stone work of Oxford's historic colleges amounted to £1,180,000 at the end of March, Lord Bridges, chairman of the fund's trustees, announced today.

The appeal, with a £1,750,000 target, was launched last June. Unlabeled, has been devoted to subscribe £2,500 a year for ten years, the Decca Record Company, the Bank of England and the "Big Five" banks £1,000 a year for 10 years, and the British-American Tobacco Company £1,000 a year for seven years. — China Mail Special.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"My father certainly is short-sighted, insisting on a year's engagement—we're sure to fall in love with somebody else by then!"

## QUEEN'S PRESS SECRETARY TO GET AWARD

New York, Apr. 14.  
Commander Richard Colville, Queen Elizabeth's Press Secretary, has been selected by the American Public Relations Association to receive its International Achievement Award for his "exemplary accomplishments in the field of international public relations, especially in the planning and implementing of all aspects of public relations in connection with the visit to the United States last year by the Queen and Prince Philip."

The award, one of two presented each year, will be presented to Commander Colville at Buckingham Palace on April 22 by Mr. Louis Weintraub, Vice-President of the Association.

The second award, for journalism, will be presented to Mr. Art Buchwald, Paris columnist for the New York Herald Tribune. — Reuter.

## SPACE-AGE CLOCK TO DECIDE HOW LONG AN INCH IS

By PETER UEBERSAX

London, Apr. 14.  
Britain shipped a space-age timepiece to America tonight to straighten out an Anglo-American disagreement as to how long an inch is. It's needed for steering guided missiles.

The complicated clock was headed for the US Army Signal Corps Laboratory at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

Missile experts there are puzzled by a difference in the distance standards involved in plotting ICBM flights.

Britain and the United States seemed to be at odds as to exactly how far London is from New York or Fort Monmouth from Moscow.

The clock will be used to bring in line US and British measuring standards. They are determined by the time radio waves take to travel certain distances.

At present, there is a difference of about one inch in 25,000 miles between the two standards.

On earth, such a difference is negligible even in precision jobs — but in space travel, with satellites or moon rockets covering millions of miles, this becomes different.

The tiniest variations in the angle by which a missile is shot into orbit can become decisive.

This was explained by a spokesman of Arinc Ltd which built the clock. It was designed by one of Britain's top physical scientists, Dr. Louis Essen of the National Physical Laboratory in London.

The clock's heart is a finely ground quartz ring, two inches in diameter, suspended by silken threads in a vacuum brass case. Arinc claims it will narrow down any discrepancies on measuring standards to one inch in 500,000 miles—20 times better than present standards of accuracy. — United Press.

## WARNING OF RECESSION IN JAPAN

London, Apr. 15.

The Financial Times, an authoritative daily on economic affairs, today warned of the danger of a "fairly serious" recession in Japan.

The newspaper's banking and finance expert, "Lombard," said the external payments, difficulties that were causing Japan so much concern during much of last year had now receded.

"But there appears to be a danger that the retrenchment measures the Japanese authorities have taken to deal with the foreign exchange crisis will now combine with deflationary pressures generated by recent developments in the international field to push the country into a fairly severe business recession," he stated.

The Government's steps to reduce Japan's payments gap had had beneficial effects, and figures showed that import outlays had fallen by 33 per cent between the second and final quarters of 1957, he said.

Lombard commented: "There is, of course, a possibility that Japan will suffer a reverse in the export sector if the payments field as a result of the present tendency for primary producing countries to scale down their purchases of manufactured goods in an endeavour to gain relief from the pressures that the slump in their export prices is imposing on reserves."

"But provided import outlays can be kept down to present levels Japan should now be able to count upon keeping out of serious payments trouble during the remainder of 1958 at least."

"Much less promising unfortunately, is her internal economic outlook," Lombard said. "There are unmistakable signs that the measures taken to slow down expansion at home for the sake of strengthening the country's external accounts are pressing so hard on business activity that Japan may soon be grappling with a recession of a fairly serious kind."

"Manufacturing production, which in the first half of last year was running 50 per cent below the 1955 level, dropped in the second half of the year by some 10 per cent, while stocks have been rising sharply."

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Police stumbled onto \$1 million worth of virtually pure heroin last week in a raid on a swank apartment house in search of bonds stolen from the Suisse Nationale d'Economie. They recovered \$72,000 worth of the securities.

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## POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"You've got to admit that when it comes to sustained clichés over a long distance, the old cliche is way out ahead of the field."

## Moral Rearmament Group

A group of 50 people of 20 nationalities, whose belief is the world-wide movement that a better world could be achieved through Moral Rearmament, is coming to Hongkong tomorrow to spread their convictions.

They will bring with them scenery and stage settings for three-act plays to illustrate that a better world could be first realized through better family understanding among its members.

The group is on a world tour to preach their convictions and aims through Miss Philina Austin's play entitled "He was Not There." And this is the first visit that a Moral Rearmament Group is paying in Hongkong to publicize their aims theatrically.

Four members of the group arrived here yesterday to pave the way. They are Mr. Vicente Villamin of Philippines, Mr. John Wood of USA and Messrs Stanley Shepherd and Christopher Mayor of Australia.

The play was first staged by the group at the Assembly of Asian Nations which was held in Baguio last March. The cast includes well known personalities of the theatrical and other professions.

The group will present its first show at Queen Elizabeth School Hall on Thursday, at 8 p.m.

## LAW OF THE SEA

## UK FISHING INDUSTRY SACRIFICE

London, Apr. 14.  
Britain's proposal for a six-mile fishing limit was bound to mean a considerable sacrifice for the British fishing industry, Lord John Hope, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Scotland, declared here today.

The proposal was made at the Geneva conference on the law of the sea.

Lord Hope said, however, that the six-mile limit was the "best, in fact the only, hope of avoiding a still worse result."

He added: "We are convinced that our initiative in this matter has been right, and we very much hope that it will succeed."

Lord Hope was opening an exhibition arranged by the Aberdeen fishing industry at the London offices of the Scottish Council.

There was strong support, Lord Hope said, for a 12-mile limit—which would be very damaging indeed to our fishing industry.

"But if we are to try and avoid a general move in that direction, we must be willing to compromise."

"The Geneva conference cannot succeed and the risks of international friction will be greatly increased if all the countries concerned do not go some way to meet each other's point of view."

"It is for these reasons that the United Kingdom has put forward the proposal for a six-mile limit." — Reuter.

## Shot While Watching Television

Pisa, Apr. 14.  
A 30-year-old man was shot dead by two pistol shots while watching a television show in the club room of the Italian Catholic Action Organization near here last night.

Early today police at Calcinella said they had arrested a suspect. Details were not immediately available.

Aulo Gemmi was shot down at Calcinella, a town in the "Red Belt" area about 12 miles east of Pisa. Communists have their greatest strength in communities running from Pisa east to Florence and north to Bologna.

Eye witnesses said that Gemmi was seated with a dozen other persons in the Catholic club last night when two pistol shots were fired through a window.

Gemmi was struck in the chest. He died en route to the hospital. — United Press.

## 2 Seriously Injured

A man and a woman were seriously injured in two separate traffic accidents yesterday.

The man, Yeung Fu, aged 72, was knocked down in the morning by a lorry in Shek Kip Mei Street in the Shamshuipo district of Kowloon. The accident occurred not far from his home at 29 Shek Kip Mei Village.

In the afternoon, a 52-year-old woman, Chan Lol, of Flat 8 Inspectorate Married Quarters, Western Police Station, was knocked down by a bus in Queen's Road West near the junction of Western Street.

Both were admitted to hospital for treatment.

## Major Reported To Be In Colony

Singapore, Apr. 15.  
Callers at the home of Major Tengku Nurdin, Indonesian Military Attache in Singapore, were told today the Major had gone to Hongkong.

The rebel Central Sumatran Radio claimed last night Major Nurdin had resigned from his post, because he did not agree with the Indonesian Government's policy in Sumatra.

The Indonesian Consul-General, Mr. Achmad Nabam-gara, said he could neither confirm nor deny the claim, as Major Nurdin dealt directly with Army Headquarters in Jakarta. — Reuter.